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Puzzle over Sotheby's sale of 'fake' Piranesi drawings

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Six drawings attributed to Piranesi, which were sold for £287,000 at Sotheby's on July 6, have been returned to the auctioneers as alleged forgeries.

Sotheby's is maintaining that the drawings are authentic, but it has conceded that payment will not be required from the purchasers until the issue has been resolved.

"We have informed the buyers that we will not be pressing them to pay as usual until we have all looked into it with calm. The owner is quite tranquil about allowing us to take some time", Mrs Elizabeth Llewellyn, who runs Sotheby's drawing department, said yesterday.

Piranesi fired the imagination of Europe in the eighteenth century with his etched plates depicting views of Rome, a mix of crumbling antiquities and baroque innovation.

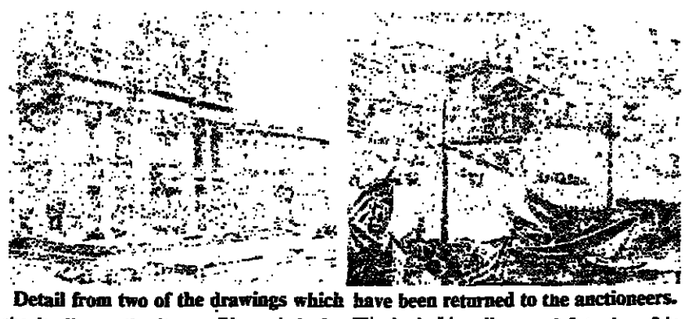
Among his modern day admirers is Mr Gianni Agnelli, the legendary chairman of Fiat, who is reputed to have been the purchaser of four of the drawings on offer at Sotheby's.

They were bought for him by the Duke of Beaufort who runs the London branch of Marlborough Fine Art, the international dealers in modern pictures. The Duke refused to comment yesterday.

The four best drawings, all apparently preparatory ink drawings for Piranesi's famous etched *Views of Rome*, were knocked down to Marlborough, two at £93,500, one at £68,200 and one at £60,500.

A less spectacular view, also related to the etched series, went for £44,000 to Mr Martin Breslauer, a leading New York book dealer, while the last of the group, "A view of a colonnaded classical building", unrelated to the etchings, was secured by a United States collector on the telephone for £20,900.

Dealers who specialize in Old Master drawings did not take part in the auction because they were aware that Mr Andrew Robison, curator of drawings at the National Gallery of Washington, who is the leading authority on Piranesi, had flown in to view the drawings on June 25 and had told Sotheby's that he did not believe them to be authentic.



Detail from two of the drawings which have been returned to the auctioneers.

Mr Robison had been sent photographs of the drawings by Sotheby's *some months before, but it was only* when he saw the drawings himself that it became clear to him that they were not right.

He said: "I talked primarily to Elizabeth Llewellyn, and I took a fair amount of time explaining to her what I thought". He believes that they are probably contemporary copies.

A number of clever modern fakes of Piranesi drawings came on the market in *the 1970s. The source was Eric Hebborn*, an English sculptor who lived near Rome, although he has always maintained that he did not make them.

Some dealers have suggested that the present group could have come from the same source. But Mr Robison, who is aware of the 1970s fakes, believes that the drawings at Sotheby's date from the eighteenth century.

His warning was made shortly before the sale. Sotheby's convened a crisis meeting of scholars with knowledge of Piranesi's work, including Professor John Wilton-Ely and Mr Philip Pouncey, its in-house experts.

However, after careful discussion, they *decided that they did not agree with Mr* Robison and the sale went ahead

News of Mr Robison's views reached buyers only after the auction. Speaking from *Washington yesterday, he said that* Marlborough and Mr Breslauer were both in touch with him after the sale.

"There was some discussion of formal *statements, but I encouraged them to* come to a settlement without legal action", he said.

The Society of London Art Dealers is often brought in on disputes of this nature to help arrange arbitration machinery outside the courts. Mr Julian Agnew, its chairman, said yesterday that he was "keeping a close eye on the situation".

Sotheby's said that the hitherto unrecorded drawings were consigned for sale from Switzerland. According to Italian sources, they belonged to a Milan dealer until recently and did not find a ready buyer because of the question over their authenticity.

It is unlikely that the Italian government, which has stringent art export regulations, would have allowed them out of the country if they had they been authentic. However most Italian properties sent for sale in London "from Switzerland" have not been declared to the authorities.

No careful preparatory drawings for the etched views were hitherto known and it was assumed that Piranesi created the images by drawing directly on the plates.

Thatcher is to take charge of research body

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

Mrs Thatcher is to take personal charge of the Government's plans to boost Britain's research and development effort.

A White Paper yesterday revealed plans to reorganize Government-funded R & D, including the setting up of a new advisory body which will report directly to and on occasions be chaired by the Prime Minister.

The new initiative comes in response to demands from the House of Lords' select committee, *The Times* and the scientific community for the Government to take a more positive attitude towards R & D.

Apart from a shift from spending on defence to civil research, the Government plans to release virtually no new money and stick firmly to its policy of encouraging industry to fund its own programmes.

But the White Paper accepts "the spirit" and many of the recommendations of the Lords' committee which demanded urgent action to stop the decline in Britain's scientifice base.

The Government intends to absorb the Advisory Council for Applied Research Development (ACARD) within a body with wider and stronger powers, to be called *the Advisory Council on Science* and Technology (ACOST). The new body will be chaired by Sir Francis Tombs, chairman of ACARD and of Rolls-Royce, and have more members from the scientific community and industry.

It will advise the Government on priorities for science and technology, co-ordination of R & D efforts and the nature and extent of Britain's *role in international projects.*

The White Paper says the reorganization will lead to "collective ministerial consideration, *under the Prime* Minister's leadership, of science and technology priorities".

On funding, the Peers had said they did not believe the low morale within the scientific community or the decline in the science base could be staunched without more Government money.

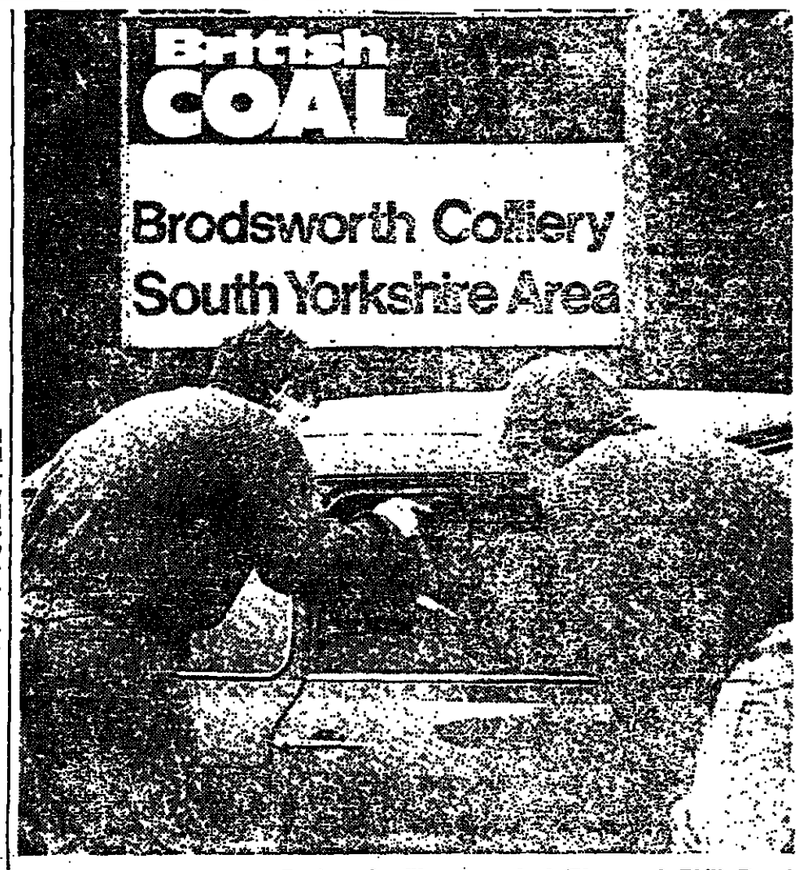
The White Paper says: "The Government recognize the importance of increasing civil R & D as a share of public R & D and are taking action accordingly by restraining the *real level of defence R & D.*

"The primary problem, however, is the low level of industry's investment in R & D."

In 1985-86, defence accounted for 51.8 per cent and the civil sector for 48.2 per cent of the Government's total research budget of £4,582 million. By 1989-90 the balance will change to defence 49.9 per cent and civil 50.1 per cent.

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Pickets persuading a miner at Brodsworth colliery to turn back (Photograph: Philip Dunn).

Coalfield chaos as pickets turn back 9,000

By Peter Davenport

Almost 9,000 miners yesterday defied their union and refused to go into work across unofficial picket lines in the Yorkshire coalfields.

Their action, in some cases *refusing to cross a picket of* only two men, caused further consternation within the National Union of Mineworkers and more frustration for British Coal.

Flying pickets from Frickley colliery, near Doncaster, where the dispute over the suspension of five miners began a week ago, were on the road soon after 5 am yesterday, determined to bring as *many pits as possible in the* coalfield to a halt.

They succeeded in turning back the morning shift at six pits in South Yorkshire — Askern, Bentley, Brodsworth, Goldthorpe, Markham Main and Rossington.

The pickets also brought two collieries in the North Yorkshire coalfield to a standstill, turning back the early morning shifts at South Kirkby and the neighbouring Ferrymoor Riddings Mine.

However, British Coal said that men at two collieries in South Yorkshire, Houghton Main and Dearne Valley, went into work across pickets lines.

Since the dispute began, British Coal has lost more than £5 million in lost production and it has cost the miners £2 million in wages.

One spokesman yesterday described it as "anarchy." He added: "These hot heads at Frickley know that if they put *a cardboard cutout of a picket* outside a pit they will stop a colliery."

Mr Ted Horton, director of the South Yorkshire area of British Coal, said: "We hope sanity will prevail. This dispute is stupid. It is a very minor incident that could and should be settled locally."

All 110,000 men in the industry were due yesterday to receive a special edition of *Coal News*, British Coal's own newspaper, which carried the details of the disputes code of conduct in full. Officials said they hoped it would convince miners that the measures, introduced in March, were not as "draconian" as some union leaders were making out.

At Frickley the dispute centres over the manager's insis-

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tence that he should interview each of the suspended men at Frickley, while the union branch is adamant that they be interviewed together.

Yesterday the Yorkshire Area Council of the NUM met for more than two hours in Barnsley. Almost 60 delegates *representing every pit in the* coalfield attended, and only three voted against a recommendation that the men should return to work.

Later Mr Jack Taylor, the Yorkshire area president, said: "I would hope they will now do exactly what we asked them to do earlier, and return to work."

He said that although he understood the anger and frustration of the miners at Frickley the union believed that the best course of action to combat the code of conduct *was to unite to ensure the best* result in the national pithead ballot that the union is holding to decide on action to oppose it.

Three tier scheme for universities

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Sweeping changes to the organization of university research in Britain are proposed in a report to the Government from its Advisory Board for the Research Councils. Fewer universities would carry out research under a new three-tier arrangement.

The report calls for a cut of almost £30 million a year in research by British scientists collaborating in high energy physics at the European Centre for Nuclear Research, Cern, at Geneva.

It also calls for a review of other high levels of spending on astronomy and on oceanography and its associated fleet of research ships.

The recommendations emphasize the need for exploitation of the "science base". It says greater emphasis *should be given to the poten*tial for producing useful results.

The university research system is described as "under great strain" by Sir David Phillips, chairman of the board and professor of molecular biophysics at Oxford.

His report covers the £600 million a year that is allocated through the five *research councils to univer*sities and research institutes.

His most controversial proposal is to split the 60 universities in the UK into three categories called Type R, Type T and Type X.

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Iran steps up Gulf searches

By Our Foreign Staff

As the seven foreign ministers on the UN Security Council, including Britain's Sir Geoffrey Howe, gathered in New York yesterday for a crucial meeting on the Gulf War, Iran was stepping up tension in the Gulf itself by challenging and searching merchant shipping.

At the same time it was disclosed that France has warned all its ships that they enter the Gulf "entirely at their own risk".

Iran has not attacked any vessels since a hit-and-run gunboat raid a week ago on the French container vessel Ville d'Anvers deep inside the Gulf. But Iran's force of four frigates operating from the southern port of Bandar Abbas at the mouth of the Gulf have been *unusually active in challeng*ing merchant shipping in the past few days.

The main targets are cargo vessels, with Iran searching for weapons destined for its Gulf War enemy Iraq.

The unprecedented Security Council meeting was designed to send an unequivocal message to Iran that it must end its war with Iraq or face severe international punitive action in the form of an arms embargo.

Mr George Shultz, the American Secretary of State *whose administration* spearheaded the sanctions campaign, was the first to meet Señor Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the UN Secretary General, who is to be given the key role to play in arranging a permanent cease-fire

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Call for pardon in Iran-Contra affair

From Michael Binyon, Washington

A call by a conservative former White House aide for a presidential pardon for the two main figures in the Iran-Contra affair has sparked a contentious debate reminiscent of President Ford's pardon of President Nixon after Watergate.

Mr Patrick Buchanan, the former White House Director of Communications, called on President Reagan at the weekend to block any criminal prosecution of Rear-Admiral John Poindexter, the former National Security Council adviser, and Lieutenant-Colonel Oliver North, his former aide.

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"Any indictment of either officer would be an offence against justice that ought not to be permitted by the President, whom they served honourably, faithfully and well. And the President should so state, publicly."

His call has provoked hot debate by members of the *investigating committee. The* White House has refused to comment.

Admiral Poindexter, continuing his testimony yesterday, said President Reagan never knew about the involvement of Mr David Walker, a British former SAS officer. He did not consider Mr Walker's activities inside Nicaragua to be an "act of war" by the US.

He said he took responsibility for Colonel North's efforts to help the Contras and gave him a "very broad charter" to act. He repeatedly insisted that he himself knew little of the details of the operations and did not tell President Reagan the details of the effort during his daily briefings.

Admiral Poindexter's frequent assertions that he did not recall events came on the day the Navy released an old fitness report showing he had a "spectacular mental capacity" and a "photographic *memory*".

The Iran-Contra committee has now decided to call only five more witnesses before its scheduled finish in early August: Mr George Shultz and Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Secretaries of State and Defence, Mr Donald Regan, the former White House chief of staff, Mr Edwin Meese, the Attorney General, and a White House official in charge of sensitive records.

Air sanction dropped

Harare — A plan to cut air links with South Africa has been abandoned by its strongest proponents, Zambia and Zimbabwe

President Kaunda of Zambia was quoted by Zimbabwe's news agency as saying at a one-day summit with the *Prime Minister of Zimbabwe*, Mr Robert Mugabe: "It is quite clear that sanctions on air links will not work."

The announcement follows assurances from both leaders over recent months that sanctions would be coming "soon".

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Record bank lending as economy surges

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Official figures published yesterday confirmed that the economy is booming, but led to a resurgence of City fears that Britain is growing too fast for comfort.

Shares and government stocks fell sharply and the pound also lost ground, dipping below the $1.60 level in New York last night.

Retail sales volume jumped by 3.1 per cent last month, to just below record levels. Sales of televisions, videos, furniture and other consumer durables were at all-time highs. However, the financial markets were worried by the fact that the sharp rise in spending was accompanied by a big increase in credit.

Bank lending rose by a record £3.9 billion last month, well above the £2.4 billion average monthly increase over the previous six months.

The rise dashed hopes of a summer cut in base rates, and led to renewed fears that the economy is heading for higher inflation and a worsening balance of payments.

The FT 30 share index fell by 27.3 points to 1,889.6, having plunged by more than 34 points at one stage. Government stocks fell by up to 1½ points.

The pound, which lost two-thirds of a cent to $1.6040 in London, dropped by a cent in New York to $1.5940.

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747 crew grounded after Heathrow near-disaster

By Andrew Morgan

Three senior officers with Trans World Airlines have been taken off duty in London and flown back to the US after a big air disaster was narrowly averted at Heathrow Airport.

The men have been ordered to explain how the undercarriage of their Boeing 747, carrying 380 passengers, was not activated as it made its approach after a flight from New York.

The alertness of a Heathrow air traffic controller helped to save the situation when he called the Boeing's captain and told him the undercarriage supporting the 300-ton aircraft had not been lowered.

The captain received a simultaneous voice warning from the ground proximity system in the cockpit to "pull up" as the aircraft, flight number 701, was only 200ft to 250ft off the ground. The aircraft was travelling at 160 mph and was between 45 seconds and one minute from landing.

Normally, after running through a strict check-list, the undercarriage should be activated up to four minutes before landing. The captain, who has not been named, immediately executed a "missed approach" procedure and took the Boeing into a steep climb, before landing safely in murky conditions just before 7.00am last Friday morning.

TWA immediately took the captain, who has 20 years experience, as well as the first officer and flight engineer, off flying duty. They were flown back to New York, along with the flight voice box recorder, to face an intense debriefing with Mr Ron Reynolds, TWA's senior vice-president for flying.

In London, Mr Charles Adams, vice-president of TWA's International Division, said: "We are treating this as a very serious matter. It is not usual for a senior officer to be taken off duty and it is not done lightly.

"This is the first time an incident *like this has happened with TWA.* There is a strict check-list on both landing and take-off, but that is not to say the list was not properly adhered *to. We will be listening to the debrief* with great interest".

Asked if the Boeing would have crashed without the intervention of the air traffic controller, Mr Adams, said: "I doubt it".

The controller, who has not been named, first spotted the aircraft as it descended below the cloud cover at about 650ft. He immediately radioed the aircraft and watched it hurtle back into the clouds.

The visual control room takes over an aircraft's approach between five and seven miles from touchdown. Usually, staff use binoculars and are *responsible for final approach*, taxiing and parking.

A spokesman for the Civil Aviation *Authority said:* "This sort of thing happens very infrequently, but it could have been very dangerous. There are lights in the cockpit designed to tell the captain when his undercarriage is locked or otherwise".

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NEWS SUMMARY

New meningitis outbreak scare

A new outbreak of meningitis has affected the county where three children died of the disease last year.

There have been nine suspected cases in Gloucestershire this month and yesterday five people diagnosed as having the disease, four of them children, were in hospital.

A girl aged four, who was treated for the dangerous meningococcal B strain, was discharged yesterday after two weeks in hospital. She lives in Stroud, at the centre of the area where several cases of meningitis were diagnosed last year.

The health authority said that the four children still in hospital were suffering from less serious types of the disease and the cases were not related.

A boy aged two is being treated in Gloucestershire Royal Hospital for meningococcal meningitis but not the same strain as that which previously affected the Stroud area.

So far this year the Gloucester and Stroud health areas have had only about half the cases of meningitis they had in the first half of last year.

Banking at risk

Irish banks face a big crisis after a vote by staff yesterday for industrial action.

A large majority of the 14,500 workers were in favour of action in their dispute over the introduction of new technology.

A strike would cripple the four main banks and cause major disruption for business and industry.

The executive of the Irish Bank Officials Association meets today to decide what action to take.

The executive said they would look carefully at the situation.

Doctor is struck off

A paediatrician who dealt in child pornography was struck off the medical register yesterday.

Oliver Brooke, aged 46, of Rusholme Road, Putney, south-west London, who was recently released from prison after serving six months, made no appeal against being struck off.

Mr Bernard Livesly, his counsel, said that Dr Brooke had no intention of trying to work again.

Dr Brooke, a father of four, was formerly head of paediatric medicine at St George's Hospital in Tooting, south London.

Cruise base change

Control of Britain's first purpose-built cruise missile base at Molesworth will be handed over to the Americans on Thursday, the Ministry of Defence announced yesterday.

At a ceremony at the 600-acre Cambridgeshire base senior RAF commanders will pass operational and administrative control to the United States Third Air Force.

Molesworth is due to become operational next year, when 64 nuclear-tipped cruise missiles will be deployed.

Condoms fail test

A brand of condom designed to reduce the risk of Aids infection was being taken off the market yesterday after failing safety tests.

The College of Health said tests had shown the brand, Aegis, was 10 times more liable to leak than the margin allowed by the British Standard.

The imported condoms are advertised as offering extra protection against Aids and sexually transmitted diseases. The college found 32 out of 100 of the condoms failed a "pin-hole" test.

Two die in glider

Two people died when an aircraft, believed to have been a powered glider, crashed into a cornfield a mile from the Oxfordshire village of Chipping Norton yesterday afternoon.

The two men who died were later identified as a Swiss doctor and his pilot who were en route from Southend airport to Cork in the Irish Republic.

Mr Vivian Oliver, director of Southend airport, said the Hoffman Dimona single-engined power glider had arrived at the weekend from Borkum, West Germany.

Boy on death charge

A boy aged 15 appeared in court yesterday charged with the murder of Julie King, aged two, in Aberdeen. The boy appeared in private before Sheriff David Bogie at Aberdeen Sheriff Court. He made no plea or declaration and was remanded in custody to appear at a later date.

The girl was found dying of severe head injuries last Wednesday evening among bushes 200 yards from her home in Westhill, just outside the city centre.

Racing magnates' dispute triggered tax inquiry

By Tony Dawe

A dispute between a race horse owner and Britain's most successful trainer sparked the widespread investigation by tax authorities into allegedly undeclared payments in the racing world.

Operation Centaur, a joint Inland Revenue and Customs and Excise inquiry in which 16 leading trainers and jockeys have been interviewed, began after a letter from Mr Henry Cecil, the trainer, was leaked.

The letter, about "private arrangements" with a jockey, was leaked at the instigation of Mr Melvyn Walters, a race horse owner and former director of Alchemy (International), the bloodstock agents.

The chain of events that led to the tax inquiry began when Mr Walters persuaded Mr Cecil to train one of his horses. As one of about 40 owners with horses under Mr Cecil's care, he received a letter sent out by the trainer in 1981.

It gave details of a private arrangement with a jockey for the following flat racing season, and asked for payments to be made "over and above" the amount declared for retainers and prize money with Weatherbys, racing's administrative body.

A note accompanying the letter advised: "It would be as well to destroy it as soon as you have read it". But Mr Walters kept his copy and two years later used it against Mr Cecil.

In recent months, Mr Walters has given three different reasons for his dispute with the trainer. The explanation which friends of Mr Cecil accept concerns the sale at Tattersalls' ring at Newmarket of a colt bred from a successful horse called The Riverman.

The colt was bought in America for $95,000 by Alchemy, raised in North Yorkshire and sold at Tattersalls in 1983 for 430,000 guineas, to James Flood, an Irishman.

But he disappeared before signing the confirmation slip or giving his name and address. The colt was offered for sale again two days later, when it made only 200,000 guineas.

Mr Walters was furious and threatened legal action to recover the 230,000 guineas Alchemy had lost. Tattersalls refused to settle out of court and Mr Walters asked Mr Cecil to intervene on his behalf. Mr Cecil declined.

In 1984, as the High Court hearing approached, a copy of Mr Cecil's "private arrangement" letter began to circulate in Fleet Street. It was offered by Mr Michael Mendoza and Mr Samuel Hyams, business associates of Mr Walters, to various newspapers, including the *Daily Mirror*, and the *Daily Express*, where the story upset the proprietor, Lord Matthews, a race horse owner.

Neither paper published the story but it appeared in February 1985 in *The People*. The newspaper subsequently handed over its dossier to the Inland Revenue.

It was the opportunity the tax authorities, who were aware of large cash payments in racing, had wanted for years. Operation Centaur was planned and one of the first places the investigators visited was Mr Cecil's home in Newmarket, Suffolk.

In May 1985, the Jockey Club, racing's ruling body, fined Mr Cecil £2,000 for breaching its rules governing retainers to jockeys.

The next month, Mr Walters' action over The Riverman colt reached the High Court. After a 13 day hearing, Tattersalls were cleared of negligence and Alchemy ordered to pay the costs of the case, estimated at nearly £250,000. Mr Walters' company was awarded 230,000 guineas damages against Mr Flood, who had reappeared by this time, but he does not have the money to pay.

Plans to give schools more control calm council fears

By John Clare, Education Correspondent

Detailed proposals for giving schools more control over their budgets have turned out to be less radical than local education authorities feared.

A consultation paper issued yesterday by Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, says authorities will continue to be responsible for all the central services provided by school inspectors, advisers, psychologists and welfare officers.

Councils will also continue to control capital spending, financial administration and long-term supply cover as well as retaining responsibility for special schools, the library service, transport, pupil support, teacher appraisal and in-service training. They may also keep control of the school meals service.

The money left over will be distributed among schools on the basis of the number and ages of their pupils. Allowances will also be made for social need and types and sizes of school.

Mr Philip Merridale, education spokesman for the Association of County Councils, said the proposals were not as far-reaching as some had feared and would go a long way towards relieving local authorities' anxieties.

The paper says the main area of discretion open to governing bodies will be to "vary the mix between expenditure on teaching staff on the one hand and aspects of school activities on the other including non-teaching staff, books and materials".

However, it adds that the total number of teachers in a school will have to be within a range determined by the local education authority. Although governing bodies will have the power to select staff, the authority will have to be satisfied that a teacher's appointment is "not inconsistent with the delivery in the school of the national curriculum".

Schools are already responsible for spending on books, equipment and stationery. It is proposed that they also take control of expenditure on lighting and heating as well as internal repairs, decoration and maintenance.

The Government says its proposals have two main objectives: to ensure that parents and the community know how the available resources are distributed and how much is being spent on each school; and to give governors a guarantee that their school will benefit if they achieve efficiency savings.

Schools will have to publish accounts at the end of each year. The paper says: "This information together with that required of governors relating to the achievement of the national curriculum would provide the basis on which parents could evaluate whether best use had been made of the resources available to the governors."

Experimental schemes have already been introduced by about 20 of the 104 local education authorities in England and Wales. The paper says the Government has been impressed by the many examples of benefits gained by individual schools.

Mr Baker plans to lay down a national framework in his new education Bill in the autumn, leaving it to local authorities to propose detailed schemes of financial delegation after consulting school governing bodies.

Comments on the proposals are invited by September 16.

The proposals were condemned by Mr Fred Jarvis, general secretary of the National Union of Teachers. He said headteachers should be educational leaders not accountants struggling to balance books at a time when "government meanness has reduced schools to crumbling slums and left pupils sharing dog-eared worksheets and out-of-date text books".

Pupils fight to save tree



Kate Daukes (right) and Damien Shaw, both aged 10, are campaigning to save a tree that overshadows their primary school playground from a property developer.

They and other pupils at St Amand's school, East Hendred, Oxfordshire, have written letters to local councillors, television, botanist David Bellamy, and *The Times* in an attempt to save the 72ft black poplar. They have also composed a campaign song, "Save Our Tree".

Mr David Herring, a builder who wants to put up two bungalows behind the Roman Catholic school, insists that the poplar is rotten and dangerous.

In her letter to *The Times*, Kate Daukes said: "The tree shades most of our playground and provides a cool spot to sit in the summer. We also draw and paint it. It is home for many animals such as mice, birds, insects and caterpillars, and if it was chopped down, it would kill most of them."

Mr Herring said: "I have called in three tree surgeons to look at the tree but it is completely hollow. You can wiggle an iron bar around inside. It could fall." Mr Herring said he was willing to plant six trees to compensate.

(Photograph: John Rogers)

Call for law to protect elderly

By Jill Sherman
Social Services Correspondent

Voluntary organizations yesterday called for greater legal protection for old people after alleged mistreatment of residents at a home in London.

Age Concern said that residents without families should be represented by independent advocates and that staff and residents should be able to report incidents of abuse without fear of victimization.

An independent inquiry has just been completed in Southwark after allegations of sexual and physical abuse, financial irregularities and filthy conditions at the old people's home in Camberwell, south London.

Yesterday the council was considering disciplinary action against staff at the Nye Bevan Lodge in Love Walk but a council spokesman said legal advice was being sought before it decided any course of action.

The allegations, first reported in July 1984, have initiated an internal inquiry which recommended that some staff be redeployed or retired, as well as improvements in staff training and extensive alterations to the property.

The council called for an independent inquiry in May 1986 and the property was closed the next month so that the building work could be undertaken.

The 20 staff were asked to stay at home on full pay, although they have not been formally suspended.

The inquiry's team of three were Mr Moss Evans, the former transport union general secretary, Mr Jocelyn Gibbs, a barrister, and Mr Simon Rodway, the former director of Merton social services.

It was alleged, they were told, that incontinent residents were left sitting in their own filth for hours.

Some residents were said to have slept in beds with too few blankets to keep out the cold. One later died of bronchial pneumonia.

Male and female pensioners were allegedly made to queue naked together for baths.

Some staff were said to have stolen pensioners' cash and food intended for them.

It was said that a group of workers used the home's bar for drinking bouts and spare bedrooms for sexual relations; a drunken visitor crawled into bed next to a female pensioner for a nap; and that pensioners were charged money for baths.

The Association of Directors of Social Services yesterday called on Mr John Moore, the Secretary of State for Social Services, to ask the Social Services Inspectorate to initiate a nationwide survey to discover the extent of abuse against elderly people in homes.

The National Union of Public Employees denied yesterday that there was any racial motive in the troubles at the home, contrary to a report in yesterday's *Daily Mail*.

Disputes in the coalfield

Scargill anger at UDM deal

By Craig Seton

The National Union of Mineworkers reacted angrily yesterday to an agreement giving the rival Union of Democratic Mineworkers exclusive rights to represent 1,800 miners at a £400 million "superpit".

The UDM has infuriated Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the NUM, by agreeing with British Coal to operate flexible working at Hawkhurst Moor, which is to be built near Coventry.

British Coal said yesterday that it had given the moderate UDM "initial facilities" at Hawkhurst Moor because it is the majority miners' union in Warwickshire.

The agreement is tantamount to giving sole negotiating rights to the UDM at the pit, which will be the biggest in Europe producing four million tonnes of coal a year when it is completed in the mid-1990s.

Mr Scargill said yesterday: "The new mine will be organized by the National Union of Mineworkers. British Coal, the Government, the media and everyone else has my word on that."

However, Mr Roy Lynk, president of the UDM, said: "We have put in our long-term claim for Hawkhurst Moor. We will now sit down with British Coal and try and work out a package which takes account of British Coal's wishes for flexible working.

"We are looking to the future. Looking to the past like Arthur Scargill is no good any more", he said.

The UDM has already said it is willing to organize a 900-strong workforce at the £90 million superpit at Margam, South Wales.

Miners' leaders 'threaten industry'

By John Spicer

Mr Kevan Hunt, industrial relations director for British Coal, accused some miners leaders yesterday of being "dedicated snipers and trigger-happy gunmen".

He said that the industry was fighting for its survival but whenever its senior managers put their heads above the parapet the union leaders were ready to pick them off.

Mr Hunt said that the refusal of miners at Frickley colliery in South Yorkshire to return to work was part of wider opposition to British Coal.

He said there was a large element of bloody-mindedness, but he was not sure if it was being orchestrated. "I am listening to the music but I am not sure if there is any orchestration."

Mr Hunt said that nothing could be more reasonable than for a pit manager to ask to see a group of men who had gone home early from their shift. There were stringent laws which made it necessary for pit managers to be able to account for every man in a mine every minute of the day.

He said that it not matter whether the revised code of conduct, which is said to be at the centre of the dispute, was in force or not. The situation remained the same.

Mr Hunt said the code had nothing to do with the dispute. The suspension of the five men at Frickley was straightforward, day-to-day management.

He said that he had no plans to call in the NUM leadership to discuss the code of conduct. "It is just a desert in discussions with the NUM. There is no fertile ground on which to grow anything.

"It is all due to the unwillingness of the NUM to accept what is, that we now have two unions in the industry producing coal, the NUM and the UDM", he said.

Mr Hunt was cautious about any possible disciplinary action against the Frickley miners. He said the NUM itself was trying to end the dispute so that a national ballot on the code could be held.

Ulster to keep the Diplock court system

Predictions that Northern Ireland's single-judge, non-jury Diplock courts which hear terrorist cases will shortly be replaced by tribunals were firmly dismissed by the Northern Ireland Office yesterday.

The claim was made in *The Sunday Times* and echoed in Dublin by Mr Peter Barry, Ireland's immediate past foreign affairs minister.

The new tribunals would have three judges but no jury, it was predicted.

But a Northern Ireland spokesman said nothing had changed since last November when Mrs Margaret Thatcher dismissed the proposal.

Damaged Leonardo cartoon

Committee of experts will advise on repairs

By Ruth Gledhill

A committee of experts from the country's main museums and arts institutions is to be formed to find a course of action for repairs to the Leonardo da Vinci cartoon, damaged by a blast from a sawn-off shotgun.

Restoration is likely to involve hours of painstaking work under a microscope with tweezers rather than chemical processes.

The director and chief restorer of the National Gallery are expected to announce today the full extent of the damage to the drawing, which is 487 years old.

Restoration experts from other art institutions have been invited to the gallery later this week to help compile a report that will provide the basis for the programme of restoration.

The charcoal and chalk drawing, the gallery's biggest attraction, was damaged on Friday when a a single shot was fired at the reinforced glass screen placed 5mm in front of the cartoon, entitled "The Virgin and Child with St Anne and John the Baptist".

The damage was confined to a six-inch square area between the neck and midriff of the Madonna.

Restorers will have to retrieve fragments of the laminated shatter-proof glass from the cartoon without further damaging the drawing.

One restorer said the laminated glass could have created an electrostatic force attracting the charcoal from the paper on to the glass.

But neat holes caused by glass are easier to repair than stains — and if the gallery decides not to replace the entire canvas backing of the cartoon, the repairs could be completed in weeks, the restorer added.

Mr Eric Harding, in charge of western pictorial arts conservation at the British Museum, who has restored Leonardo's Mackintosh Madonna cartoon for the museum, said: "Under normal circumstances one would hope that this kind of damage would be redeemable.

"In theory it is possible to remove the paper from the glass and put it back where it belongs. It will not be down to science. I suspect it will be down to hard, careful and extremely painstaking work with tweezers under a binocular microscope."

Another restorer, Mr John Wagstaff, head of paper conservation at the Victoria and Albert Museum, said the restoration would involve considerations of "ethics and aesthetics".

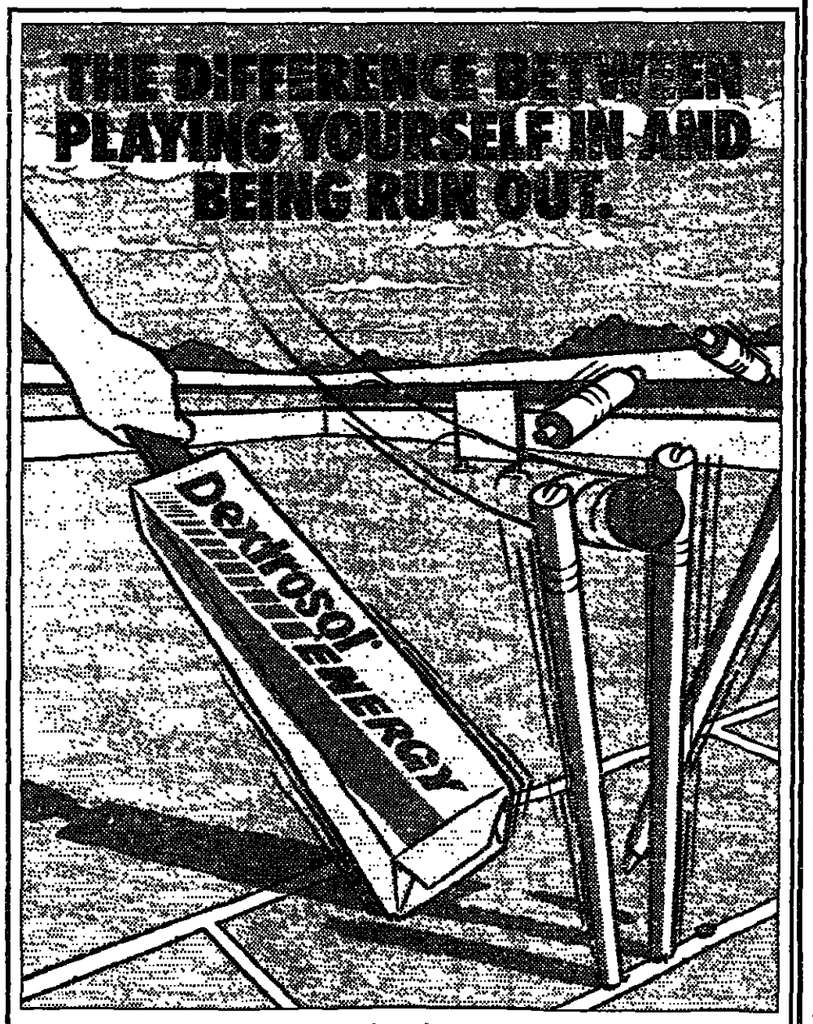
Mr Wagstaff, who has also been invited to inspect the damaged cartoon, said: "It could be restored and made to look absolutely fantastic. But it is never going to be exactly as it was. I and others will be doing a feasibility study on a method of approach. With an internationally important drawing you cannot have just one person's opinion."

The final restoration programme will have to take into account the complex chemical structure of the paper, the condition of the charcoal, the future use of the cartoon and the opinions of historians and museum curators, he said.

The cartoon was the target of an attack the third month after it went on display at the gallery in 1962. A bottle of ink was thrown at it. Although the bottle did not break, the perspex shield then covering the drawing was cracked by the blow and caused a 12-inch chain of scratches on the drawing, which was repaired within hours.

A National Gallery report made after the drawing's acquisition said the cartoon consisted of eight sheets of paper pasted together with overlapping joints.

An international advisory committee, which met in 1963 to investigate the cartoon's condition, concluded at the time that it would be "dangerous and difficult" to remove the canvas from its stretcher and "virtually impossible to remove the paper from the canvas using techniques at present available".



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'He suggested 10 strokes but we agreed it should be five. It was very painful'

Head is acquitted of assaulting boy in school caning

By John Clare

The headmaster of an independent school who caned a boy aged 13 for not doing well enough in his examinations was yesterday acquitted of a charge of assault causing actual bodily harm.

The judge at Knightsbridge Crown Court in west London ruled that Mr John Pearman, aged 38, head of Friern Barnet Grammar School, had no case to answer.

Earlier, the boy, Barry Tavner, of Crouch End, north London, had told the court that Mr Pearman had warned him before his examinations that he had to get more than 55 per cent.

"Nothing was said about what would happen if I didn't", he said. "I only got 45 per cent and shortly afterwards Mr Pearman said he wanted to see me after school.

"He told me I would get the cane because I was 10 marks below my average. He suggested 10 strokes but we agreed it should be five.

"It was very painful. I was snivelling during the caning and afterwards my eyes watered."

The boy told his mother, Mrs Terry Tavner, who took him to their GP, Dr Christopher Hindley. He told the court there was considerable bruising to both buttocks.

"It appeared that considerable force had been applied. I had not seen anything like it since my early school days", Dr Hindley said.

Mrs Tavner, aged 35, a widow, said her son was badly shaken by the beating. She had taken him to the police and a police surgeon had examined him.

Det Sergeant David Valentine said he had interviewed Mr Pearman who described the boy as "highly intelligent, very articulate but underachieving.

"He felt the under-achievement was due to Barry being bone idle, maybe due in part to the lack of a man about the house", Mr Valentine said. "He felt it was his duty to get stronger in his approach to the boy."

Mr Jeffrey Rucker, for the prosecution, told the jury that Mr Pearman, who has been head of Friern Barnet since 1981, did not dispute the basic facts but would argue that he was merely using moderate and reasonable punishment.

He added: "Assault may be lawful, as in the case of correction by a parent or someone in place of a parent.

"If Mr Pearman did not go beyond the bounds of lawful correction he must be acquitted."

Directing the jury to acquit Mr Pearman, Judge Christopher Horden, QC, said there was no evidence he had intended to use unreasonable force.

STOPP, the Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment, said it was outraged and disappointed. It has offered Mrs Tavner legal assistance to enable her to take the case to the European Court of Human Rights at Strasbourg.

Mr Pearman said afterwards: "I'm very satisfied. It is a good judgment for the education world at large."



Mr John Pearman, the school headmaster, after being acquitted of assault yesterday, and Barry Tavner, the boy he caned.

Noise complaints grow sevenfold

By Robin Young

Noise pollution in Britain has *reached such epidemic* proportions that complaints about it to environmental health officers have multiplied sevenfold in recent years.

Most of the hullabaloo is caused by inconsiderate neighbours.

The Institution of Environmental Health Officers calculates that nearly two-thirds of complaints to local councils in England and Wales are about domestic nuisances.

There were 1,276 reports of domestic nuisance per million of population in 1985-86, the institution reports. Another 601 complaints concerned industrial and commercial noise sources, and 148 related to roadworks and street noise, construction work and demolitions.

Yet of a total of 56,000 *complaints logged* by the institute's respondents, only 191 had ever gone to court. Officials accept that most noise nuisances are never reported, let alone investigated.

Some councils, such as Westminster, have adopted a Human Rights Quality of Life Charter, by which councillors strive to confirm the individual's right to a healthy environment *without excessive* noise or pollution.

Several in London send officers on weekend party patrols, *to monitor nightly* revelry. Most local authorities, pleading staff shortages and lack of funds, simply send complainants written advice, suggesting that they try to reach an amicable agreement with their neighbours.

A few are zealous in issuing noise abatement orders, *which, if ignored, can lead to* maximum fines of £2,000 plus a daily penalty of £50 while the nuisance continues.

Islington slapped one on the gospel singers of the First Born Church of Living God choir, and Tower Hamlets issued one against the ventilation system at the Wapping newspaper plant in which I am writing this report.

On the other hand a school caretaker in Hoxton was refused one against a shopkeeper's mechanical parrot whose squawks and whistles, he complained, destroyed his concentration when studying *the racehorse form books.*

The South African embassy, *or others in Trafalgar Square*, also failed to get one against an all-women group called the Horns of Jericho who persisted in blowing raspberries on their wind instruments outside.

There is no escape. While urban flat dwellers moan about the neighbours' hi-fi or television set, dwellers in the suburbs are driven to distraction by rotary mowers.

In the country it is chainsaws, combine harvesters and crop-spraying aircraft. The McSorleys of Windsor, who got their rates reduced to £1 a year because of the disturbance caused by Hell's Angels living next door, were *only an extreme example of* the national malaise.

Country dwellers surrounded by fruit orchards and green fields have been compelled to form their own protection group: the Birdscarers' Anti-Nuisance Group — Bang.

Inner city wildlife threatened

By Andrew Morgan

A government inquiry starts today into plans to build private houses on an inner city site in London renowned for its wildlife.

Last year, Lambeth Borough Council refused to permit Mr Levi King, a property developer, to build 50 two-storey houses on a disused *railway sidings site in Shakespeare Road.* Mr King also has alternative plans for workshops and business premises.

But Mr King, who had bought the land for £110,000 from British Rail, sent in the bulldozers to clear the four-acre plot.

Naturalists had counted 140 species of wild flower and plant, including rare bee orchids, among the birch and sallow woodland. Mr King left standing about 15 trees which Lambeth council had put orders on, but his plans did not proceed.

In the past 12 months, *recolonization has been rapid* with only 13 species still *missing*, including the orchids. A fox earth has also been discovered, as well as kestrels, and ecologists say the site is one of the most important in London.

The London Wildlife Trust, Friends of the Earth and local residents have joined to fight the housing plans. Mr Jeremy Iles, director of the trust, said *the regeneration of the inner* cities was as much about *creating a better environment* and not just building houses and factories.

"Wildlife in the city can contribute greatly to the quality of urban life, particularly in an area like Brixton."

"We want Shakespeare Road to be a wildlife haven where people can relax — and not just another soulless concrete housing development for people who can afford to get *out of town at the weekends.* Regeneration is about a careful approach and not building on every space."

Mr Graham Pinfield, field officer for the trust, said: "The recolonization has been amazing and it could be back to its former glory in a few months".

Mr King, managing director of King Brothers Finance, said: "We think this is good building land. If they think it's *good for wild daisies, it's up to* them. But we believe the Wildlife Trust is another left wing regiment of the council."

The public inquiry will be held at Lambeth town hall and is expected to last for four days.

Opren campaign

Trust fund compromise offer

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

A compromise to enable the settlement of 1,500 claims against the manufacturers of the drug, Opren, was proposed yesterday by a group campaigning on behalf of the claimants.

Mr Des Wilson, director of Citizens Action (Opren Campaign), has written to the managing director of Lilly Industries, the British subsidiary of the United States drug company, Eli Lilly, suggesting that a trust fund be set up.

The company would be the biggest contributor to the fund, although not the only one. Mr Wilson said he was thinking in terms of a multi-million pound contribution by the company.

The idea is the latest in a concerted campaign being mounted against the company by Citizens Action. It is also appealing directly to Lilly Industries' employees via an open letter.

The group is replying to a letter from the company to *doctors and pharmacists with* an open letter to them in a full-page advertisement in *The Times* today.

Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent South, was due to initiate an adjournment debate in the Commons early today.

He said yesterday that as Opren was licensed through the Committee on Safety of *Medicines and that it was used* extensively in the National Health Service, the Government must accept responsibility for those who had suffered.

"The Government should defend the rights of the British people as vigorously as it protects the interests of drug companies. It should press for British Opren victims to get *compensation on the same* terms as that already given to USA victims.

"If the company fails to *respond, the Government* should refuse to buy any further Eli Lilly drugs for the NHS where alternative supplies are available."

Mr Wilson, in his letter to Mr Richard Bailey, managing director of Eli Lilly, says: "You would contribute to compensating the victims of Opren, via a trust, but without taking any decisions in individual cases or conceding liability".

The trust would not be set up by the company, but it could be used to cover most *cases where claims were not* enormous. It would be understood that anyone who decided not to accept what the trust fund offered must continue with litigation in the usual way.

This would be inevitable in the case of bigger claimants, and also in some smaller *cases.*

Mr Wilson, who is president of the Liberal Party, says in his letter that people are dying while they wait for justice. He speaks of "the immense frustration, bitterness, and in many cases continued side effects that many people still suffer while they wait for the courts to act as we are confident they will".

A total of 1,500 people are claiming damages. Opren was withdrawn from sale in 1982 after it was linked with 74 deaths and nearly 4,000 cases of illness, including kidney and liver failure.

The Times reported on July 4 that the company had paid an unspecified sum into court as compensation to those patients which, it says, have complete medical records to back up their claims.

Mr Wilson refers in his letter to the offer to "settle a handful of cases, despite having medical evidence on about *500 cases*".

The campaigners are pressing for compensation for all claimants with acceptable evi*dence of injury or illness* caused by the drug.

Lilly Industries said yesterday: "We are awaiting receiving a copy of the letter and will study it with interest".

Father is jailed over deaths

A father whose two children died from electric shock in the bath while he was out drinking was jailed for 18 months yesterday.

The judge told him: "Despite your suffering, I have to express society's condemnation of your neglect of your children".

Michael Burcher, unemployed, left his son Ben, aged nine, and the boy's half-sister, Aimee, aged four, with instructions to have a bath *before he went for a drink with* a friend, Cardiff Crown Court was told.

The children died when a live hairdryer fell into the bath.

Mr Justice Owen told Burcher, aged 39, of Grange*town, Cardiff*: "*Whatever sen*tence I pass will be as nothing to the distress you have suffered and are still suffering. I'm satisfied that you loved your children and that they loved you. Love, however, cannot be enough."

The judge told Burcher that Ben was a boy who delighted in surprising him with his help, and it must have been obvious that he would try to *wash Aimee's hair.*

Burcher had been found *guilty of neglecting both the* children last June.

The court was told that it was likely that the boy plugged *the hairdryer into an exten*sion lead which Burcher had rigged up to listen to music in the garden.

Burcher had denied going out for a drink and said he had popped out for 15 minutes for groceries. The court was told that when he returned he climbed in through the bathroom window and suffered an *electric shock as he tried to* pull the girl out of the bath.

Mr Martyn Kelly, for the prosecution, said that Burcher was "continually careless", and told the court he often left home not knowing where his children were.

Company pays out for libel on record sleeve

Sleeve notes on a record which reached number 66 in the top 100 pop charts cost the recording company, Polydor, a substantial sum in damages and costs yesterday.

At Winchester Crown Court, Mr Richard Rampton, QC, for Mr William Bamber Cartmell, a veterinary surgeon *and chairman* of two companies — Wickham Laboratories and Wickham Research Laboratories — disclosed settlement of a libel action against Polydor.

The action arose, he said, out of a record made in 1985 by Tracie Young, the B-side of which was a song about 19 Animal Rights movement members tried at Winchester Crown Court.

They were accused of what Mr Rampton described as "a violent armed raid on the Wickham Laboratories" and Mr Cartmell and his company received a great deal of publicity.

He went on: "The sleeve of this record reported that the Royal College of Surgeons had been *guilty of carrying out* horrifically cruel and some*times illegal* experiments on animals".

It had gone to state, wrongly, that Wickham Laboratories had supplied the animals.

GPs reduce visits with phone advice

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

A telephone chat with the family doctor can do some patients as much good as a home visit and may play a growing role in medicine, a *survey has found.*

A study of out-of-hours calls *to a general practice* showed that more than half of the callers were satisfied with the advice they were given over the telephone, with no adverse effects on their health.

The most common advice was a version of "keep taking the tablets" because most of the callers were patients whose condition was already diagnosed and had received treatment.

However, general practitioners have to decide whether responding to calls for help with advice over the telephone is ethically and legally acceptable, the doctors who carried out the study, say.

"Misjudgements will inevitably occur, as they must under any system. Nevertheless, given that not all calls represent *emergencies, a visit* in every case would not only be *inefficient* but might also preclude prompt response to calls of greater urgency", they say in the July issue of *Journal of the Royal College of General Practitioners.*

Dr Geoffrey Marsh and Dr Richard Horne, of Stockton-on-Tees, recorded details of their out-of-hours phone calls for a year. No caller was refused a visit, but 59 per cent of the 809 incoming calls were managed by telephone advice.

"It is *important to emphasize* that no patient is refused a visit. When sufficient information is available from the telephone call to conclude that the problem is not urgent, clear advice is offered on how to manage it."

Property prices are up by 5%

By Andrew Morgan

Falling mortgage interest rates are creating a housing market "time bomb", with East Anglia showing the highest price rises, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) says.

In a survey covering April to June this year, published today, the institution found that a third of the 219 estate agents polled recorded a 5 per *cent increase* in house prices, while one in 20 reported a rise of 8 per cent.

Mr Peter Miller, the institution's *housing manager, said:* "The general election result brought the possibility of further cuts in interest rates. House buyers may be tempted to borrow more money.

"*This can only help to fuel* price increases and lead to some people borrowing beyond their means."

A *spokeswoman added:* "First time buyers are again being squeezed and it seems we are sitting on a time bomb which could get out of control if prices don't level off soon".

Throughout England and Wales estate agents reported burgeoning sales. In East Anglia, three-quarters reported *increases of 5 per cent on* house prices, and Mr George Bristow, of Prudential Property Services in Norwich, predicted they would rise by a total of 15 per cent this year.

Mr Bristow said demand was outstripping supply because home owners were being cautious in waiting for the "right" house before putting their own on the market.

He added: "East Anglia is popular because industry hasn't spoilt the region. Rail electrification has reduced the Norwich-to-London time to two hours. There has been an influx of people which has helped to put up prices."

'Pilloried' teacher loses divorce appeal

Stephen Staerck, a teacher who was divorced by his wife after making her sign a marriage contract, lost his attempt in the Court of Appeal yesterday to have the decree overturned.

The contract was criticized by Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, as: " One of the most unreasonable documents I have ever seen".

In it the teacher, aged 37, barred his wife Janet, aged 31, from mentioning the names of her parents, stipulated how often she could see them, gave her two days visiting rights if one died, and allowed her £2 a week spending money.

Mr Staerck, of Meadow Way, Leighton Buzzard, Hertfordshire , added: 'I do not think I was unreasonable".

London's transport

Passenger increase points to fare rise

By Rodney Cowton, Transport Correspondent

London bus and Underground passengers face the prospect of fare increases after the publication of London Regional Transport's annual report yesterday.

The report said that growing numbers of passengers had created increasingly severe congestion on Underground trains, with little prospect of a short-term solution.

In the financial year to last March, Underground trains travelled a record number of passenger/miles, while buses increased their traffic by 5 per cent to the highest level since 1979.

The growth of traffic on the Underground was slower than *in recent years, but is said to* be growing again at a rate of about 5 per cent.

In the past 12 months traffic at King's Cross and Victoria Underground stations, which are already seriously congested, grew by 10 per cent, and at Kensington High Street and the Elephant and Castle by 25 per cent. The Angel station, Islington, was temporarily closed recently because of overcrowding.

Sir Keith Bright, chairman and chief executive of LRT, refused to say yesterday whether he was in favour of fare increases to stem the growth of traffic until there was more capacity.

But he said that one of the factors stimulating the passenger increase was the success of the Travelcard season ticket. "The Travelcard is extremely good value and it's certainly under-priced at the moment. I can't say any more than that", he said.

Sir Keith said that the average Underground fare was about only 80 per cent in real terms of what it had been in 1982.

LRT is required to keep fare increases roughly in line with inflation. However, it is due to get new guidelines within the next few weeks, and these could allow it more latitude over pricing.

Total subsidies received by LRT last year amounted to £295 million, a reduction of £28 million on the previous year. The Underground is looking at increasing capacity at several stations, possibly by installing escalators instead of lifts and by constructing new underground passages to ease passenger movements.

New rolling stock is also on order. However many of these measures could take several years to implement, the report says.

It says also that one of the results of the growth of traffic on Underground, bus and British Rail services into London has been a 2 per cent rise to 83 per cent in their share of commuter traffic, while the number of people travelling by private cars has dropped by 3 per cent.

Portfolio Gold

Winner's eye on a new car

The sole winner of the Portfolio Gold competition prize of £4,000 was Mr Deryck Ahrens, a retired communications engineer.

Mr Ahrens, aged 75, of Church Lane, Ford End, Chelmsford, Essex, said he was going to split the windfall between a cash present for his wife, Valerie, and money towards a new car.

He said: "Fortune has smiled twice as I shared the £2,000 prize with another man in the blue card game in 1985.

"I am delighted with the win. I have been playing the competition since it started."

A regular reader of *The Times*, Mr Ahrens, said half of *the money would go towards* replacing his 14-year-old Alfa Romeo car, which he had run from new and had been his main hobby since his retirement.

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Remand over gallery attack

A man was remanded in custody for seven days yesterday charged with causing criminal damage to the Leonardo da Vinci Cartoon at the National Gallery in London.

Sir David Hopkin, the magistrate, ordered a medical and *mental report on Robert Cam*bridge, aged 37, unemployed, of Glen Albyn Road, Wimbledon, south-west London, who appeared at Bow Street court.

Custody for social worker

A social worker facing charges of having unlawful sexual intercourse with two girls in his care, one aged 14 and the other 15, was remanded in custody yesterday after absconding from court last week.

Malcolm Graham, aged 39, of Charles Street, Strood, Kent, escaped from Medway Magistrates' Court last Monday minutes after being committed for crown court trial. He was recaptured in North Wales on Friday.

ANC kidnap case remand

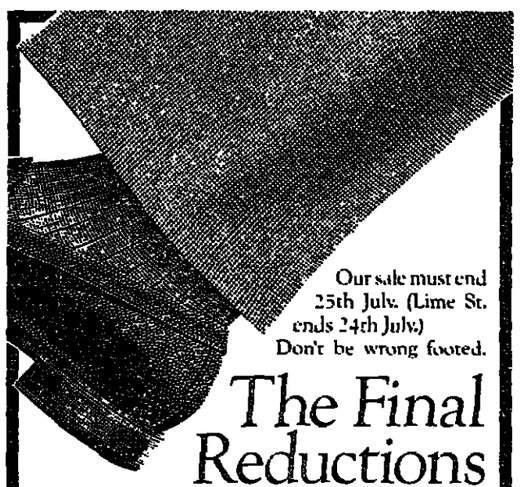
A fourth man charged with conspiring to kidnap members of the African National Congress in London was remanded in custody at Marylebone Magistrates' Court yesterday.

Evan Dennis Evans, aged 48, of Siop Newydd, Mall*traeth, Anglesey*, is charged with conspiring to kidnap *ANC members between* September last year and July.

Twins united after 70 years

Twins parted when their newly-widowed mother put them up for adoption in an advertisement in *The Times* in 1917 have been reunited.

Mr Philip Hames, who lives in Nottingham, approached the Salvation Army last *December and asked it to trace* his sister. Major Colin Fairclough, head of the investigation team, tracked down Mrs Barbara Furness in Preston.



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Attorney General to meet DPP on Zircon case

Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Attorney General, is to meet the Director of Public Prosecutions this week to discuss the possibility of a prosecution in the case of the BBC film early this year, about the Zircon satellite project.

During exchanges at question time in the Commons, Sir Patrick said that the DPP would reach a decision about prosecution when police inquiries were complete.

In later questions about the operation of the Official Secrets Act and injunctions against newspapers in relation to the Wright case, he said that in cases of criminal matters, he acted as Attorney General, alone, but in civil matters, such as that of protecting confidentiality, the Prime Minister and other ministers, like him, also had a say.

In a written reply, to Mr Robert Cryer (Bradford South, Lab), he said later: "To enforce the duty of confidentiality owed to the Crown by Mr Wright I shall, on behalf of ministers collectively, take such steps by way of civil proceedings as appear to the Government to be appropriate.

"To protect the public interest in the due administration of justice I shall, in my capacity as a *law enforcement officer*, take such proceedings of a criminal nature as appear to me personally to be appropriate.

Mr Tam Dalyell (Linlithgow, Lab) had asked the Attorney General to request the DPP to reach a decision on prosecution by July 24 in the case involving the search of BBC premises in Glasgow in relation to the Zircon satellite project.

Sir Patrick: The Director of Public Prosecutions will reach his decision, if necessary in consultation with me, when all relevant police inquiries have been completed

Mr Dalyell: When is the material currently in the possession of the police to be returned?

Sir Patrick: That will be a matter for the police on which I am not qualified to reply today.

Mr Jerry Hayes (Harlow, C): If the police had not searched the BBC, they would have been accused of incompetence and of endangering national security.

Mr George Galloway (Glasgow, *Hillhead, Lab*): This invasion of BBC Scotland took place in my constituency and one of the makers of the film, Mr Brian Barr, is a constituent of mine.

A deep sense of violation is still felt in BBC Scotland about the raid and the unjustified cloud of anxiety about prosecution which still hangs over my constituent and his family.

Sir Patrick: Responsibility for possible prosecution rests with me as superintending the Director of Public Prosecutions and I repeat that he will reach a decision when all police inquiries are completed.

Mr Tony Banks (Newham North West, Lab): Get your finger out.

Mr Nicholas Bennett (Pembroke, C): Many people are *delighted that the police raided* the BBC, and the fact that the BBC is not above the law on national security.

Sir Patrick: The Director of Public Prosecutions makes any request to the police for investigations, regardless of any partisan considerations (Labour laughter). He acts impartially, as do the police, in all circumstances.

Mr John Morris, Opposition spokesman on legal affairs: When will the decision be taken?

Sir Patrick: I hesitate to give the same answer three times, but the decision will be taken when all the evidence has been has been fully considered, and I can say that I intend next to meet the DPP on this matter later this week.

● Later, the Attorney General was asked by **Mr Dale Campbell-Savours** (Workington, Lab): If the Wright allegations damaged the secret services, which is part of the case in Australia by Sir Robert Armstrong, why have there been no cases under Section 2 of the Official Secrets Act against *The Observer, The Guardian, The Sunday Telegraph, The Sunday Times*, the *Daily Mirror, The London Daily News* and the *Standard*?

Could the answer be that the Attorney General knows that when he brings proceedings for criminal contempt and seeks injunctions there will be no juries, whereas if he had a case under the Official Secrets Act there would be a jury and he well knows they would reject his case (Labour cheers).

Sir Patrick: He is ingenious at constructing any number of potential reasons for the exercise —

Mr Campbell-Savours: Answer my question.

Sir Patrick: — of the discretion of the Law Officers. These are matters for discretion and I take responsibility for that at present.

Mr Jonathan Aitken (Thanet South, C): Given the tidal wave of legal actions going on round the world on such issues as what is and what is not an official secret, and what the press may or may not publish, does it not worry him that these issues are resolved and new law made extensively by judges while Parliament declines to reform the now discredited Official Secrets Act?

Surely it is for Parliament to make the rules and draw the line clearly?

Sir Patrick: Any decision on reform is for the Home Secretary. The last Conservative Government attempted it but it did not find favour in the House of Lords.

The Attorney General, as the first law officer, has a duty to ensure that the due administration of justice is not interfered with, and it is entirely his responsibility to take such steps as are proper to protect the duty of confidentiality owed by former members of the security services.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick upon Tweed, L): When is the Government going to cut its losses and recognize that the material available and the significance of the issues raised totally outweigh the capacity of the Government to protect confidentiality by legal proceedings?

Sir Patrick said that he was criticized if he lost and also if he won.

Mr Tony Favell (Stockport, C): Mr Peter Wright is regarded by many in this country as a squalid little man who betrayed his oath and betrays his country, and others should be deterred.

Sir Patrick: I must hold to the practice of myself and my predecessors in not commenting on matters which remain an issue in Australian courts.

Mr John Morris, Opposition spokesman on legal affairs: I would expect him to say that Prime Minister was not concerned in prosecutions under the Official Secrets Act.

Can he give the same assurance about the inference that, had the Court of Appeal ruled against the Government last week, the Prime Minister would have instructed him to bring an injunction against *The Sunday Times*, and that the inference which could be drawn from the Treasury Solicitor's call to Theodore Goddard, *The Sunday Times* solicitor, that the Prime Minister was involved, had no basis?

Sir Patrick: I can answer clearly by referring to the written answer by me on December 8 last year. Any matters of *proceedings of a criminal nature*, and that embraces criminal contempt proceedings, are entirely for the Attorney General.

The proceedings I took on Sunday last and on Thursday of last week *fall into that category* and were taken by me without reference to the Prime Minister or to any other minister.

Civil proceedings, such as protecting confidentiality, are for the Government collectively and the Prime Minister and other ministers, including myself, properly have a say in those questions.

● **Mr Tam Dalyell** (Linlithgow, Lab) was refused an emergency debate in the Commons after alleging that the Prime Minister had instructed the Treasury Solicitor to prevent further publication of extracts from the book *Spycatcher* by Mr Peter Wright.

He said that shortly before 3pm on July 8, the Treasury Solicitor's office contacted Theodore Goddard solicitors, acting for *The Sunday Times*, informing them that "the Prime Minister is tied up for the next hour or so but as soon as she becomes free, I anticipate being told to ask you for an undertaking not to publish any further extracts from Wright's book".

At about 4pm, the Treasury Solicitor's office called Theodore Goddard demanding just such an undertaking by 5.30pm that afternoon.

This would appear to be an example of the Prime Minister's stepping into what Parliament had always believed to be the sphere of decision-making of a law officer.

It was quite clear that, in the absence of a subsequent decision by the appeal court, the Attorney General would have been in the position of having been instructed by the Prime Minister to seek an injunction.

Any prima facie case of the *blatant abuse of a law officer's* responsibilities as a law officer, by a Prime Minister or by any other minister, ought to be a matter of urgency for the Commons.



Mr Tam Dalyell (left) and Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, who clashed with Sir Patrick Mayhew (right), the Attorney General, during question time in the Commons.

Random breath tests opposed

Countries that had brought in random breath testing had found that it did not have the required effect until public attitudes to drinking and driving had changed, Mr Peter Bottomley, Under Secretary of State for Transport, told MPs during Commons questions.

He said that everyone in the House should concentrate on first changing the public attitude to the unacceptable crime of drink-driving rather than on using a change in the law as a substitute.

He was responding to Mr Roland Boyes (Houghton and Washington, Lab), who said that random breath testing had had a good effect in other countries in reducing the number of deaths on the road and convictions for drink-driving.

Earlier Mr Bottomley urged that everyone in society should highlight the dangers and stop themselves and others wrecking people's lives.

There were suggestions of tougher court, police and legislative action. These were possibilities. The first requirement was to change public attitudes.

Sir Bernard Braine (Castle Point, C) asked if he was concerned that a proposal to extend drinking in public houses throughout the afternoon might bring people who had drunk too much on to the roads at peak travel time and particularly when many children were coming home from school.

Mr Bottomley said the key issue was whether drinking alcohol before driving continued to be socially acceptable.

● The latest figures on road casualties were extremely encouraging, Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Transport, said during Commons questions. He said that reducing the numbers was a top priority and, to achieve it, the most effective mix of measures, including publicity, must be used.

He was replying to Mr Charles Wardle (Bexhill and Battle, C), who asked if he was satisfied that enough was being done to bring down the number of road casualties.

Mr Channon: We shall never be satisfied and must not be complacent, but the figures are extremely encouraging at the moment.

The last figures for the first quarter of 1987 compared to the corresponding quarter last year showed deaths down by 12 per cent, serious injuries down by 13 per cent and the casualty rate a mile down 13 per cent.

That was very good news, although not good enough.

Mr Tony Banks (Newham North West, Lab) asked for *information about a number of* road accidents caused by people using car telephones. Would he consider banning the use of hand-held car telephones?

Mr Channon said that it was extremely dangerous to use car telephones while driving and that the police took a very serious view of it.

He would have thought that people who could afford a car telephone could afford a microphone so that they would not have to hold the telephone.

Lamont defends new pay plan

The most important part of the Finance Bill dealt with profit-related pay, Mr Norman Lamont, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said when moving the third reading of the Bill in the Commons.

It was quite wrong to say that the purpose of PRP was to produce a low-wage economy. The purpose was to produce affordable pay which, in the long run, would lead to a high-wage and *prosperous economy*.

The new relief on PRP was only one of several measures taken by the Government to encourage flexibility and to help to create jobs. PRP meant flexible pay and the flexibility would apply upwards as well as downwards, in line with the commercial success of the buisness.

Anyone who thought that this meant lower pay was taking a much more pessimistic view of business prospects than he and the markets did. Industrial production was at its highest ever level in the UK and there had been dramatic growth in profits and productivity.

The idea of linking pay to the commercial success of a business did not necessarily imply lower remmuneration. On the contrary, it would encourage flexible pay.

That was the direction in which they needed to move because, although the economy was making the sort of progress which would have seemed unbelievable 10 years ago, it was still hampered by inefficiencies and regidities in the labour market and the pay system.

More jobs were needed and PRP could help. Of course it was not a panacea, but he firmly believed that the establishment of PRP schemes would be a big step towards achieving still higher output, higher productivity and increased employment.

The purpose of the tax relief contained in the Bill was to encourage the spread of PRP schemes. The same principle lay behind the relief given to employee share schemes, to which the PRP schemes were complementary.

PRP schemes could be very simple, but they had been given the appearance of complexity because of the great range of options from which employers would be able to choose.

The Inland Revenue would be *issuing guidance notes on PRP* for employers in September. It was a very encouraging sign of the widespread interest that more than 21,000 employers had already applied for copies of *that guidance, including 120 of* the 250 top British companies.

He very much hoped they would turn their interest into action without delay. Companies needed to think now about how to construct a PRP scheme if they were to register in time for the next profit year and to operate tax relief upon it.

The tax relief available could be *equivalent to up to 4p off the* basic rate of income tax for a man on average earnings and so the cost would be significant.

He did not think the cost would be £1 billion, as some people had suggested, but a figure of several hundred million pounds a year was not unlikely.

This tax relief would be a constructive contribution to making the economy work better and to getting away from the kind of rigidity which had bedevilled Britain's performance in the past.



Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, leaving Heathrow yesterday for the UN Security Council debate in New York on the Gulf War between Iran and Iraq.

Anxiety over BA fares

The proposed merger of British Airways and British Caledonian was raised during question time in the Commons, when **Mr Michael Colvin** (Romsey and *Waterside, C*) asked whether progress towards deregulation of air fares and routes would be helped or hindered by the merger of the two airlines?

Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of *State for Transport*, said that he could not comment because the merger proposal was being considered by the Director General of Fair Trading.

Mr Anthony Steen (South Hams, C) said that there would be little point in deregulation if there were no competition left in this country.

Could there not be a meeting between the Secretary of State, the chairman of Virgin Atlantic, the chairman of Air Europe and the chairman of British Midlands before any decision was made on the proposed merger?

Mr Channon said that all these people should in the first instance put their views to the Director General of Fair Trading.

Bus deregulation brings worry for northern MPs

TRANSPORT

Concern about the effect of bus deregulation on urban and rural transport in the north of England was expressed during Commons questions.

Mr David Alton (Liverpool, Mossley Hill, L) said that Mr David Mitchell, Minister of State for Transport, had said during the election that deregulation had *not* been the success on Merseyside that he *had hoped for*.

About 30 per cent of fare-paying passengers had been lost from Merseyside buses since deregulation, and fares had risen by 50 per cent.

How could Merseyside Passenger Transport Executive continue to run services when the guidelines set by the Government were £36 million less than the sum estimated for the executive's requirements?

Mr Mitchell pointed out that he had said that in Merseyside the benefits of deregulation had not as yet become as apparent as he *had hoped and as he expected* them to be.

Fares on Merseyside had been kept artificially low for many years. The cost of the transport service provision there amounted almost to £50 a man, woman and child, a huge and excessive sum which was being trimmed back.

Last week he met representatives of the PTA (passenger transport authority) and he was considering their comments.

Mr Richard Holt (Langbaurgh, C) said that in Cleveland, because of deregulation, the subsidy by ratepayers had been reduced from £5.8 million a year to £1.8 million.

Mr Mitchell said that the Transport and Road Research Laboratory had confirmed that deregulation was a success. Bus mileage had been broadly maintained, there had been no massive service cuts and operators numbered about the same.

Competition was starting to introduce innovative forms of *service such as mini-buses*.

Mr Tony Lloyd, an Opposition spokesman on transport, said that the widespread perception was that deregulation had caused a severe loss of quality in *bus transportation, particularly* in rural areas, and that PTAs "do not believe a word which comes from Government ministers".

It was time for an independent survey, which should be published, so that MPs could find out what was really happening.

Mr Mitchell said that the Transport and Road Research Laboratory would provide a report and that it would be available.

● The Government's information did not confirm that there had been any widespread withdrawal of concessionary fares for children as a result of the Transport Act, 1985, on bus deregulation, Mr David Mitchell, Minister of State for Transport, said during Commons questions.

Some local authorities had used their powers under the Act to provide for new or improved children's concessions, but in *most areas there had been no* change.

Mr Peter Pike (Burnley, Lab) said that there was a threat to the future of children's fares, for example where Ribble Motor Service was telling Lancashire County Council that they would make all children pay the full fare unless the council paid for the concession.

Mr Mitchell said that he knew *of only two operators who had* withdrawn children's fares, and one had since reintroduced them.

New schemes introduced as a result of the Act had been in Cleveland, East Sussex and Milton Keynes.

Mr Martin Brandon-Bravo (Nottingham South, C) said that before bus deregulation all Nottinghamshire children had concessionary fares. But as an act of political vandalism the council had abandoned them except for children in the maintained sector. That was discriminatory and disgraceful.

Mr Mitchell agreed. He said that the matter rested with the local authority.

Mr Anthony Worthington (Clydebank and Milngavie, Lab) *deplored the fact that a private* bus company in Strathclyde had withdrawn concessionary fares.

Mr Mitchell said, amid protests, that that was a commercial decision for the operator concerned, but under the Act the local authority was empowered to make arrangements.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch, C) said that the impact on child fares of the Act would be as nothing compared with the impact on these fares of any proposals from Brussels to put value-added tax on public transport.

Would Mr Mitchell make clear that the Government would veto any such suggestion?

Mr Mitchell: I note his views (Labour interruptions and a shout of "bullseye").

BR 'aware of tunnel commerce'

British Rail was well aware of the commercial opportunities that the Channel tunnel would *bring to many parts of the* country, including the North-east, **Mr David Mitchell**, Minister of State for Transport, said during question time in the Commons.

He added that detailed plans would be prepared by British Rail over the next two years.

Miss Joyce Quin (Gateshead East, Lab), who raised the issue, said that the reply was disappointing. Could there not be an assurance that when the tunnel opened there would be a direct link to areas such as the North-east? Without one, the areas most in need of economic recovery would be still further disadvantaged.

Mr Mitchell said that British Rail was required to produce a plan in 1989 for dispersal of passenger and freight traffic to *various points in the country*, subject to various commerical criteria.

Planning was as yet at an early stage and the pattern of services would depend on British Rail's estimate of demand.

Mr Peter Snape, an Opposition spokesman on transport, asked that inland customs clearance depots for freight should be provided in the North-east in *the short term*, so that traffic patterns would be well established before the Channel tunnel opened in 1993.

Mr Mitchell said that he was expecting the Director of British *Rail Freight* to give some guidance on the pattern of freight depot requirements, and the point made by Mr Snape would be taken into account.

Tories fail to halt pesticides report

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

A report censuring the pesticides industry and the Ministry of Agriculture is to be published by the all-party agriculture select committee on Thursday, despite the strong opposition of three of the committee's Conservative members.

The report, entitled *The Effects of Pesticides on Human Health*, is the work of Sir Richard Body, the notoriously maverick Tory who chairs the committee, and it has not been agreed by the committee.

After an exhaustive 16-month inquiry, Sir Richard drew up a chairman's draft report and presented it to the committee for approval three days before Parliament was dissolved in May for the general election.

Members of the committee complained that they had not had time to give it proper consideration.

By four votes to three the committee agreed to publish it, but with an additional section making clear that, although they believed it was an important document, they had not endorsed it. The three who believed it should not be published were Mr John Carlisle, Mr Derek Conway and Mr Paul Marland.

The report is believed to speak in stark terms about the health hazards of pesticides and to be highly critical of secrecy and complacency in the pesticides industry and the Ministry of Agriculture.

Sir Richard, who is publishing a book on the subject this autumn, said yesterday that his chairman's report had incorporated the views of the whole committee and was considerably milder than he would have liked.

He denied suggestions that he had tried to "bounce" the committee into endorsing it by producing it at the last minute.

Compilation had been delayed, he said, by parallel inquiries and the illness of the committee's specialist adviser.

Sir Richard, who won the chairmanship in 1986 despite government opposition, is expected to stand down during this Parliament.

Nato responsibilities

Britain in a leading position

By Our Political Reporter

Britain was now in "pole position" in the Nato alliance and had a "tremendous responsibility" to ensure that it remained a powerful and united body, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, said yesterday.

There was need for strong leadership among the Western allies, many of whom faced domestic problems.

Britain, with its unique links with the United States and with a Government that had just won a third five-year term on clear and positive defence policies, was the only country able to provide it.

Mr Younger's comments, made at a lunch for Westminster journalists, came after a weekend in which Mrs Margaret Thatcher had signalled her intention to adopt an even greater role in world affairs in the wake of her general election victory.

In Washington she had urged Americans to switch their attention from "Iran-gate" to global issues, and later announced that she was to send a personal message to Mr Mikhail Gorbachov calling for speedier progress on East-West arms control negotiations.

Mr Younger described Iran-gate as "a sideshow" compared to the question of whether East and West could now agree the first ever major reduction in nuclear weapons.

"The stakes are far higher than whether Colonel North did this, that, or the other", he said. Mrs Thatcher's trenchant words had put the matter into perspective and brought home the absurdity of that "circus", he added.

The immediate problem facing Nato was to convince Belgium and other reluctant countries to step up their *contributions to Nato*. There had been no slackening in Soviet defence spending.

"This is a moment above all moments to have no thought whatever of lowering our guard.

"The leadership we have to give is persuade those of our Western allies who are not pulling their weight in burden sharing and convince them that peace has to be paid for."

Mr Younger was confident of a superpower deal to eliminate intermediate nuclear weapons before the end of the year, but said that that would mean a reassessment of Nato's strategy and tactics.

While the deal would mean an overall reduction in levels of nuclear arms it could necessitate the introduction of new missiles to fill specific gaps.

He claimed that the political argument about whether Britain should persevere with Trident was now over.

The Government's stand had been endorsed by the electorate and by the time of the next election it would be more expensive to cancel the programme than complete it.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Questions: *Employment*; *Prime Minister*. Motion on Channel Tunnel Bill and consideration of Lords amendments. Motion on ministerial salaries and MPs' pay and allowances.

Lords (2.30): Debates on inner cities and on broadcasting authorities' discharge of their duties before the election.

Minister praises aid programme

Britain had a quality aid programme for which Mr Christopher Patten, Minister for *Overseas Development*, told the Commons during question time he was pleased to be responsible.

But Mrs **Joan Ruddock** (Lewisham, Deptford, Lab) said that quantity as well as quality was important. She urged the minister to increase overseas aid and asked when Britain would reach the United Nations target of contributing 0.7 per cent of gross national product.

Mr Patten said that this Government, like all its predecessors, had been unable to give a timetable for achieving that target.

Earlier, **Miss Joan Lestor**, Opposition spokesman on overseas development and co-operation, had also urged the minister to try to achieve the UN target and pointed out that the British public always responded generously to appeals for money to help to alleviate some of the terrible tragedies in the Third World.

Mr Patten agreed that the public responded very well to appeals. The OECD's development assistance committee had recently complimented Britain's aid *programme*.

Mr Eric Forth (Mid Worcestershire, C) said that the minister should encourage individual giving as the best means of helping the Third World as voluntary contributions were of much greater value than taxes levied on an unwilling population.

Mr Patten said that both individual giving and contributions made by the taxpayer could make important contributions to the development of countries less well off than Britain.

● A recent speech made by Mr Alan Clark, Minister for Trade, which the *Financial Times* said was sharply critical of British aid policy, was described by **Mr Christopher Patten**, Minister for Overseas Development, as "characteristically supportive".

The report of the speech, in which Mr Patten was quoted as saying that all ministers were ever-mindful of collective responsibility and none more so than Mr Clark, was mentioned during Commons question time by **Mr Stuart Holland** (Vauxhall, Lab).

Mr Timothy Raison (Aylesbury, C), the former Minister for Overseas Development, said it would be better for Mr Patten rather than Mr Clark to make decisions on these matters.

Mr Patten replied: I note Mr Raison's remarks. I would not wish in any way to criticize Mr Clark.

N Ireland Act report

Viscount Colville of Culross has accepted an invitation from Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, to prepare an annual report on the operation of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Acts, Mr King announced in a written reply.

In a further reply, he said that he had made an order making it an offence to offer, provide or advertise security guard services without a certificate or to pay money for such services for someone who did not possess a certificate.



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CBI wants tax cuts as price for help in inner cities revival

By Craig Seton and Nicholas Wood

Tax cuts and new development incentives are needed if private industry is to join the Prime Minister's crusade to revive run-down urban areas, the Confederation of British Industry said yesterday as it embarked on a round of ministerial talks about the issue.

The message was delivered by Mr John Banham, its director general, at a meeting with Mr David Trippier, the Under Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment responsible for inner cities.

The CBI's response is likely to come as a disappointment to Mrs Margaret Thatcher, who has told her Cabinet colleagues that the State alone cannot regenerate decaying areas.

It came as Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister of State for Trade and Industry, yesterday unveiled what he described as a pattern for ensuring that the Government's plan for inner city revival will give jobs and training to local people.

Mr Clarke, one of the government ministers charged with regenerating the inner cities, was in Birmingham visiting run-down Handsworth, where riots flared nearly two years ago.

He was there to give his approval to a partnership between the Government, Birmingham City Council and Tarmac Construction in a £1.6 million scheme to refurbish 36 dilapidated Victorian houses.

The Broughton Road project in the Handworth Task Force area is the first of its kind to employ local labour.

The CBI's director general, who described his meeting with Mr Trippier as "fruitful and positive", told the minister that although the CBI supported the Government in its quest for a partnership between the public and private sectors in reviving run-down areas, firms must be offered new inducements to make their involvement a realistic proposition.

He pressed for changes, such as a system of tax-free bonds to enable firms to raise revenue for urban projects, higher capital allowances and far-reaching relaxation of planning controls over developments.

On a broader front, he told Mr Trippier that manufacturing industry will only be able to shoulder a greater social burden when far fewer of its profits are creamed off in corporation tax, national insurance and business rates.

Mr Banham said after the meeting: "The first responsibility of manufacturing industry is to compete.

"I made the point that although British manufacturing is much better off in terms of profits and competitiveness than four years ago, it is still only one third as profitable as its continental rivals.

"I am not talking about handouts and subsidies. I am saying that if the Government lets us keep a bigger slice of our surpluses then business would be in a position to help more."

Mr Banham, until recently controller of the Audit Commission, said that the private sector already contributed £2,000 a year per household in taxes, and business rates had gone up by £3 billion during the past six years.

He added that the CBI was drawing up a detailed report on ways of encouraging firms to play a part in cleaning up derelict areas, renovating slum housing and bringing jobs to unemployment blackspots.

Its newly created infrastructure task force would study existing projects where the public and private sectors had joined forces.

Next week at the Government's invitation Mr Banham is to see Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, and Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Employment.

During yesterday's visit to Birmingham, Mr Clarke saw for himself the scale of the task ahead in the inner cities.

But, Mr Clarke said: "It is a waste of time just clearing up dereliction and putting up shining new buildings if, at the same time, you are not giving opportunities, skills and motivation to the people who live there".

The Broughton Road project has given 24 training places to local unemployed youths, most of them black. Seven of the 10 sub-contractors appointed by Tarmac Construction are local, providing up to 40 jobs, mostly for local people. A further 15 jobs are being found in the Handsworth community.

Interviewed outside a derelict, boarded up Victorian house, the rotting body of a dead cat lying in long grass only a few feet away, Mr Clarke said the scheme was a prototype.

He said: "I want to see dozens of these. I think in a few years' time we will all look back and slightly regret the fact that we spent so much time and poured so much money into inner city areas without taking the chance to give skills and job opportunities to people who live there".

But Mr Clarke played down reports of divisions in the Cabinet about the best way to make sure local people were involved in inner city regeneration.

He said: "We have always agreed there should be a bigger local content. There are constant arguments about how to do it, but the aim is shared by the whole Government."

However, Mr Clarke made it clear that the Government would not introduce "contract compliance" whereby companies would have to agree to fixed "quotas" of local labour before contracts were awarded.

Two on course for success



Nick Faldo, fresh from winning the Open Championship at Muirfield, was playing again yesterday in a pro-am tournament at Sunningdale. He teamed up for a few words with fellow competitor, Denis Thatcher, who is well practised in congratulating winners (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

Getty gift secures a haven for wildlife

By Andrew Morgan

Mr J Paul Getty, the American philanthropist, has helped the Dorset Trust for Nature Conservation to buy 328 acres of meadows and woodland to save them from intensive farming.

Much of the land at Kingcombe Meadow, near Dorchester, is designated of special scientific interest.

A £200,000 appeal to save it was launched by the Royal Society for Nature Conservation when the farmland came up for auction.

Grants were made by public and private groups but Mr Getty's contribution of £89,250 was vital in helping to secure the site.

The trust now owns half the farm, including 90 per cent of the scientific interest sites.

Miss Helen Brotherton, chairman of the trust, said: "The field system patterns have remained unchanged since medieval times and these could have been threatened by farming.

"Mr Getty has a reputation for conservation and we are grateful to him."

Scientists seek elusive secret of nature's speed

Since the invention of the transistor almost forty years ago, electronic technology has relied on the use of semiconducting materials such as silicon. But, as ***Robert Matthews*** *reports in the second of two articles, scientists are now working on the development of electronics based on organic chemicals, which nature has been using successfully for million of years.*

For all its apparent power, today's electronic technology can be put to shame by the capabilities of living creatures. Even now, a child aged two can recognize a face faster than the world's most powerful computer.

Impressed by such ability, scientists are investigating chemicals of the sort used by nature, believing they will eventually outstrip today's silicon-based technology.

Such "organic", or carbon-based, chemicals have some peculiar properties, such as an ability to "self-assemble". Layers of individual molecules automatically stack up on one another, forming three-dimensional structures of a complexity far beyond the ingenuity of current technology.

It is this ability that most excites scientists. Today's computers are mostly "linear" machines, in that information goes in one end, and emerges at the other.

That structure inevitably leads to bottlenecks where any component in the computer tries to carry out more than one instruction at a time.

Nature has found a way around this problem. The brain, for example, appears to process information in a three-dimensional structure, allowing it to carry out many functions simultaneously.

However, it has proved extremely hard to construct similar electronic architecture out of conventional silicon.

Instead, scientists hope to build up layers of specially designed organic chemicals and mimic nature, generating three-dimensional structures automatically.

Attention is being focused on a form of self-assembly shown by the growth of perfectly flat layers of chemicals just a single molecule in thickness, known as Langmuir-Blodgett (LB) films.

The name might be unfamiliar, but the phenomenon is not.

As Benjamin Franklin noted in an experiment performed on Clapham Common pond more than two hundred years ago, a teaspoonful of oil will rapidly spread out over the surface of the water, forming a layer that will dampen any ripples.

LB films are made by carefully scraping such layers from tanks full of ultra-pure water and depositing them on substrata.

LB films can be laid on top of one another in a process researchers call "molecular Lego".

Being just one molecule in thickness (about a millionth of a millimetre), thousands of LB films can be stacked up before they reach the size of today's most advanced very large scale integration (VLSI) devices.

By having a well-defined structure in three rather than just two dimensions, stacks of LB films could form the basis of computer memories able to store vast quantities of data in a relatively small volume.

Scientists trying to exploit LB films, most notably Professor Gareth Roberts, of Oxford University, and Thorn EMI, have already patented simple working electronic devices built from the films. But building a molecular computer is a far bigger undertaking.

Work being carried out now is unlikely to bear fruit until the first decades of the next century.

However, the simplicity and cheapness of the basic technology has already led to useful applications.

Next week, at an international conference on LB film technology in West Germany, Professor Roberts will show an astonishingly sensitive chemical sensor using an LB film which can detect the presence of a gas in concentrations of just 10 parts per billion.

So far, Britain has probably led the world in the development of molecular electronic devices.

Recognizing this, the Government is to launch a special Molecular Electronics Research Initiative (Meri) costing several million pounds this autumn to help to keep Britain in the lead.

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Ethnic recruits top 1,000

By Stewart Tendler
Crime Reporter

Police forces in England and Wales have more than a thousand serving officers from ethnic backgrounds for the first time, the Home Office disclosed yesterday.

The latest manpower figures show that the 43 forces in England and Wales, including the Metropolitan Police, have 1,001 officers from a strength of 122,830.

The total from ethnic backgrounds is made up of 830 men and 171 women.

The main areas of recruitment have been forces covering large urban areas, and the shire forces have tended to have smaller numbers.

The Metropolitan Police has the largest single number at 365.

It is followed by 135 in West Midlands, 75 in Greater Manchester, 51 in West Yorkshire, 40 in Thames Valley, 33 in Nottinghamshire, 30 in Leicestershire and 27 in Merseyside.

The forces without any officers from ethnic backgrounds last May, when the figures were gathered, were Cheshire, Dyfed-Powis and Norfolk.

Those with one officer each were Durham, Cumbria, Lincolnshire, Gwent, North Wales and the City of London.

Murder hunt met a 'wall of silence'

A senior detective yesterday accused a city's black community of refusing to help in the hunt for a murderer.

Det Chief Insp Tony Bailey told an inquest that many witnesses were said to have declined to be interviewed or made up false names when asked about the stabbing.

The eventual arrest of four men led to street disturbances outside the police station were they were held and the siege of the Admiral Street police station in Liverpool ended only when police agreed to release suspects on bail.

Members of the black community in Liverpool's Toxteth district also occupied the city's magistrates court when a man was due to appear on a charge connected with the inquiry.

Police faced a "brick wall" of silence after Jeffrey McNish, aged 22, was stabbed in the chest at a Caribbean carnival in Toxteth in August 1985. Mr McNish, of Queenswood Road, Forest Hill, south-east London, died a week later.

He had travelled to Liverpool for the carnival but became involved in a dispute over admission to a Saturday night concert in Toxteth.

Mr Richard Murray, deputy Merseyside coroner, recorded a verdict of unlawful killing at yesterday's inquest which took place almost two years after the death.

Mr Bailey spoke of the problems his squad of detectives faced.

He said: "Great difficulty was experienced from resentment shown towards the police in the area. People have either refused to talk to us or where it appears they are not telling the truth they have refused to be reinterviewed."

Mr Bailey had earlier said: "The area is the subject of much political involvement and sensitivity due to it being listed as an inner city area with a predominantly ethnic population.

"This had a great bearing on the investigation – not only on the arrests but also on the attitude of witnesses who have been interviewed in connection with the matter."

He said 1,500 statements were collected, evidence obtained and a report sent to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

But it was decided there was not enough evidence to proceed against four men who allegedly attacked Mr McNish with cricket bats. He added it was during that attack that the fatal stabbing happened.

He said that his investigations led to four men being charged with causing an affray. Last year, no evidence was offered against three of them at a committal hearing.

The fourth man received a 12-month suspended prison sentence.

Pop group blamed for thefts

A magistrate yesterday blamed a pop group for a spate of thefts of car badges.

Mr Barrington Black said the Beastie Boys, an American group, had "a lot to answer for".

Members of the group wear car badges as decoration and now dozens of car owners have suffered as their badges have been stolen.

The magistrate's comments came as Volkswagen tried to deter thefts by offering badges to anyone who sends a written request.

Sitting at Marylebone Magistrates' Court in central London, Mr Black imposed a £100 fine on Robert Lacey, aged 17, who stole a Volkswagen logo worth £85.

"The cannibalism of motor cars has become something of a fun thing, caused seemingly by the adulation of the antics of a pop group", Mr Black said.

Lacey, of Ashburnham Road, Kensal Green, north-west London, admitted stealing the VW logo on July 4.

Mr Stuart Sampson, for the prosecution, said that Lacey had told police: "I support the group, the Beastie Boys, and I wanted a sign".

Unemployment benefit fraud

Pantomime scenes on the waterfront

Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has said that more than a million people registered as unemployed are not looking for work and that a number are doing casual work in the black economy. ***Ronald Faux, Employment Affairs Correspondent,*** *joined a Department of Employment fraud team investigating seasonal workers in the North Yorkshire holiday resort of Scarborough.*

The lads from the pancrack were sending shockwaves along the fish quay. "We've been spotted", Paul said, "the word's gone down that quay like greased lightning".

The four members of the regional fraud squad from the Department of Employment, or pancrack (north country colloquial for unemployment benefit), pulled out their notebooks and started to jot down names.

Not that the fish filleters were necessarily doing anything wrong. The names would be checked against local benefit office lists and others stored in computers, and woe betide anyone found to be filleting fish while drawing benefit.

The same applied to workers in the amusement arcades along Scarborough seafront: a surreptitious head count, a list of names and further investigations if warranted.

The problem of seaside benefit scroungers is common to all large resorts that take on temporary staff for the busy period. The manager of one arcade told me: "It's fair enough they should check, I suppose, and it certainly puts the fear of God up some folk. I've known them vanish in a flash, like demons in a pantomime."

Mr John Holt, manager of the regional fraud team, said it received a lot of information about people who were cheating the system. It came mainly from people who resented paying taxes while others they knew were escaping the Inland Revenue and also drawing benefit.

Those running legitimate businesses who had to compete with firms employing people "on the side" were especially resentful and likely to point the finger.

"The problem often seems to go in groups. One person will start to cheat and the thing spreads until it becomes a kind of legitimate sin, with so many people on the fiddle that it no longer feels to be like breaking the law. On the other hand, I've known people get so uptight as they get deeper and deeper into fraud that they actually thank me when they are caught", Mr Holt said.

The team, generally known in the area as the lads from the pancrack, has met resentment, although rarely violence, during its purges. It pursues a deliberate policy of polite non-confrontation, although its members share an interest in body building.

Paul was the keenest, and the biggest. If a difficult interview seemed likely he generally went in first. But the team's greatest strength is its deterrent effect. During a purge the word gets around and people who should not be signing on rapidly sign off.

A national total of 329,493 investigations last year yielded only 2,496 prosecutions, but the saving in social security payments has been calculated at £40.13 million. The maximum penalty for falsely claiming benefit is a £2,000 fine and/or three months in prison on each charge.

All members of the fraud team are volunteers from the Department of Employment. The main qualifications are a good background knowledge of how the social security system works and no reluctance to confront people.

"We have had some funny cases. The last time we were in Scarborough, the whole team were out in a group in a hotel and a commercial photographer took our picture. The same man turned up next day to draw his dole. He picked the wrong group."



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Staff blamed for Chernobyl blast

Moscow – As the trial of the director of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant and five of his assistants enters its final stages, a senior Soviet nuclear specialist has said that the accident in April last year was caused by the attitude of the Chernobyl staff to their duties and not by the design of the power station (Mary Dejevsky writes).

Dr Armen Abagyan, director of the Scientific Research Institute on Nuclear Power Plants in Moscow, told Tass that reactors of the Chernobyl type had design faults which were most noticeable at very low power, but if the regulations had been observed, the accident would not have happened.

Dr Abagyan said that last April it had been decided to conduct an experiment to save energy by using the turbines, which were still rotating after being turned off, to feed the pumps supplying water to cool the reactor core. This violated the regulations, which were then broken a second time when the power of the reactor suddenly fell sharply.

Stale siege rations

Bonn – The West Berlin authorities are investigating a massive fraud involving about 11 million cans of vegetables in the city's "siege" stores held against any new blockade by the East (John England writes).

West Berlin began storing "iron rations" – tinned peas, green beans and carrots – after the Soviet-led Berlin blockade of 1948–49. They are now worth more than £666 million.

Since 1981 manufacturers have been repurchasing their date-expired goods for 55 per cent to 65 per cent of the new price, returning them to West Germany and replenishing the Berlin stores from new stocks. But one firm has been replacing the labels on its old cans and then selling them back.

Doctors strike

Delhi (Reuter) – About 8,000 doctors in India's state-run hospitals began an indefinite strike yesterday, leaving patients to wait unattended in the searing heat and discharging others.

The doctors have turned down a pay offer of an extra £47 a month for new doctors, insisting that they be brought up to parity with elite civil servants.

● COLOMBO: Sri Lankan nurses refused to work yesterday, joining striking doctors and dentists in a dispute over state examination policies (Reuter reports).

● ATHENS: More than 30,000 Greek doctors began a five-day strike yesterday in protest over a Government "witch-hunt" against the medical profession for alleged tax evasion.

Flood havoc recedes

Sondrio, Italy (AP) – Flood waters subsided as the sun came out yesterday across the Italian Alps. But dozens of mountain villages were still cut off and thousands of tourists stranded by flooding and mudslides. The death toll from four days of rain that turned the Adda and Brembo mountain streams into raging torrents rose to 19, with eight reported missing.

Thousands of troops and civilian rescue workers waded through lakes of mud to reach isolated villages. They brought in avalanche dogs to search for buried survivors.

Two die in riots

Karachi – Two people were killed and more than 20, including eight policemen, were injured as violence which erupted in Karachi on Sunday night continued throughout yesterday (Zahid Hussain writes).

The trouble began when rival ethnic groups clashed in Shah Faisal colony, where tension has been running high since riots in April.

Machine guns and home-made bombs were used and violence spread to other suburbs. Crowds clashed with police, blocked roads and burned cars. A train was also attacked and its engine set alight.

Mending fences

The Prime Minister of Malaysia, Datuk Seri Mahathir Muhammad, yesterday began a six-day visit to Britain by dining with Mrs Thatcher (Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes).

The visit is expected to cement a recovery of Anglo-Malaysian relations which plunged in 1980 after Britain's decision to charge overseas students a viable rate for tuition. Dr Mahathir was a strong advocate of a "buy British last" campaign.

Mrs Thatcher began the fence-mending in 1985 when she visited Malaysia and announced a scheme softening the impact.

A bridge to nowhere

Jerusalem (Reuter) – Israeli Customs have impounded "Brooklyn Bridge". A 3,000lb model of the landmark that spans the East River in New York city was to have been dedicated last week by the Brooklyn Borough President, Mr Howard Goldin, in the Bnei Brak district of Tel Aviv, which is twinned with this strongly Jewish borough of New York. But when the 80ft plywood and plaster replica – the gift of a Brooklyn shopping plaza – arrived by air freight at Ben Gurion Airport, Customs officials refused to admit it duty-free.

Underdressed ladies miss the overdressed Royals

From Alan Hamilton, Toronto

Before beginning two days at a remote lakeside retreat, the Duke and Duchess of York ended their official visit to Ontario yesterday with a visit to the Woodbine racecourse in Toronto for the running of Canada's premier turf event, the Queen's Plate.

The Royal couple arrived in an open landau preceded by a mounted troop of the Ontario Provincial Police to watch the 128th running of the race. The Duke wore a black top hat and tails and carried a large black rolled umbrella. The Duchess was in a restrained, broad-brimmed straw hat and a pink-and-green summer dress. They were almost the only members of the 36,000 capacity crowd who would have been admitted to the Royal Enclosure at Ascot. Canadians are informal and their summers hot; shirt sleeves and tee-shirts are customary dress, even at such an important social occasion as the Queen's Plate. The Duke and his party looked seriously overdressed.

Three women in the walking ring, who were escorted out by police when they were found to have no passes, managed to look overdressed and underdressed at the same time as they posed and pouted in front of the waiting television cameras and declared that they were determined to meet "the Dook". One, in an indecently minimal dress and a hat of white feathers which resembled nothing so much as a run-over turkey, said she was the wife of the multi-millionaire Canadian co-inventor of the *Trivial Pursuit* boardgame. But the police intervention ended the ladies' own trivial pursuit, and the Duke was spared any embarrassment they might have caused him.

The race crowd gave the Royal couple an enthusiastic reception, and all heads were turned to catch a first view of the Duchess. Throughout their tour of Ontario the couple have been greeted by large crowds, insatiable curiosity and great warmth, which on Sunday even extended to their being applauded in church. They had gone to Cobourg, a small town to the east of Toronto celebrating its 150th anniversary, to attend morning service in the local Anglican Church. There was clapping as they walked down the aisle to their seat in the front pew.

The Duke read the lesson from St Matthew, the parable of the seeds, and the rector, the Rev Terry Tarleton, took as his sermon "the evil in our midst", which seemed a curious choice for such popular guests.

Cobourg is well acquainted with the two previous world wars, and has a Victoria Cross holder from each still living. Captain Charles Rutherford, at 97 the oldest living VC in Canada, was too frail to meet the Duke and Duchess and tell of his First World War feat of single-handedly capturing 35 Germans. But they did meet Lieutenant-Colonel the Rev John Foote, aged 84, of the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry, who won his VC in the Dieppe raid in 1942.

The Royal couple also discovered that feminism has triumphed among the local Indian population, who have in Miss Nora Bothwell their first female chief. Miss Bothwell, despite her distinctly Scottish name, is an Ojibway Indian and chief of the 400 who live on the nearby Alderville reserve.

Canadians do not like the word "reservation" for their Indian enclaves; to them it is pejorative, reminiscent of the slaughter of the native population conducted south of the border. Thanks to Queen Victoria, who decreed that they should have the right to their lands as long as the rivers flowed and the grass grew, the Indians of Canada have always fared rather better than those of the United States.

Canadians, often regarded by Americans in much the same light as the British regard the Irish, seize eagerly at anything that demonstrates their superiority over their southern neighbours.

One loyalist, watching the Duke and Duchess with approval, declared: "The United States is a brawling nation fit only for entertainment. They have an ageing actor for their head of state; we have history, and real class."



The Duchess of York, centre, attending Canada's principal turf event at Woodbine racecourse, Toronto, the Queen's Plate, amid a capacity crowd of 36,000 yesterday.

Iran and the Middle East crisis

Paris and Tehran locked in an uneasy stalemate

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Although negotiations between Paris and Tehran were said to be "taking their normal course" yesterday over arrangements for the repatriation of their respective diplomatic teams, there was no sign of any breakthrough in the uneasy stalemate which has existed since France broke off diplomatic relations with Iran four days ago.

In Tehran, the 15 French nationals, including 11 with diplomatic status, inside the French Embassy are still being prevented by revolutionary guards from leaving the building, and the Iranians continue to insist that M Paul Torri, the French Consul, should give himself up for questioning by the Revolutionary Tribunal about alleged spying and drug-trafficking activities.

Meanwhile, in Paris, about 45 Iranians, including five diplomats, are being prevented from leaving the Iranian Embassy by an impressive police cordon while the French continue to insist that Mr Wahid Gordji, the unofficial number two at the embassy, give himself up for questioning by a magistrate about his suspected involvement in last year's terrorist bombings in Paris.

Neither side appears willing to make any concessions. M Jean-Bernard Raimond, the French Foreign Minister, said on television on Sunday night, shortly before flying to yesterday's Security Council meeting in New York, that Mr Gordji's case was "not negotiable".

The Iranians have also made clear that they will not abandon their charges against M Torri who, unlike Mr Gordji, has diplomatic immunity. On the other hand, some relief is being expressed here that no more has been heard of the statement by the Iranian Interior Minister on Saturday in which he accused all the members of the French Embassy of being spies and demanded that they be arrested and brought before the courts.

Even after the Iranian diplomats have left their embassy, the French police will have no right to go into the building to arrest Mr Gordji. The embassy will simply be placed in the care of Pakistan, which has agreed to look after Iran's interests in Paris. Italy has undertaken to look after France's interests in Tehran.

Despite serious anxiety here, both about the fate of the French diplomats in Tehran and of the French hostages being held by pro-Iranian extremists in Beirut, the right-wing Government's decision – backed by President Mitterrand, a socialist – to break off diplomatic relations with Iran has received virtually unanimous approval from all political parties and the press.

It is generally felt, after three weeks of increasing tensions – marked by the blockade of the French Embassy in Tehran, the Iranian gun-boat attack on a French ship in the Gulf, the unexplained ban on two French diplomats leaving Iran, the unfounded tit-for-tat charges against the French Consul, and the ultimatum by Iran to sever diplomatic relations with France unless it freed Mr Gordji – that the French Government was faced by a virtual *fait accompli*, given its insistence that the law must take its course in the case of Mr Gordji.

France could, of course, simply have waited for the 72-hour ultimatum to expire and let Iran take the blame for breaking off relations. But France, with its fierce nationalistic pride, has never liked allowing others to take the initiative in such delicate situations. On the other hand, a few observers have been asking why it ever allowed itself to be pushed into such a dangerous corner. Why did it allow itself no escape route over the Gordji affair?

The crisis marks the end of the "process of normalization" with Iran which the present Government had pursued over the past 16 months and which the previous socialist government had tentatively begun at the very end of its term, both with the principal aim of trying to secure the release of the French hostages in Beirut.

Over the first 10 months, the policy seemed to bear some fruit. In exchange for the expulsion of opponents of Ayatollah Khomeini's regime from France and the partial settlement of Iran's $1 billion loan, five hostages were released.

By early this year, however, the Iranians were again insisting on the cessation of all French arms sales to Iraq, an issue on which the French had made clear from the outset that it was not willing to compromise. The "normalization" talks came to a halt, no more hostages were released – indeed, another Frenchman, a journalist, was kidnapped – and threats against their lives were renewed.

France has always made its relations with Iraq a sticking point in its policy in the Middle East. Under a contract signed by former President Giscard d'Estaing which successive governments have always insisted they would continue to honour, partly for purely commercial reasons, and partly because France likes to be seen to be playing an important role in the Middle East – a region with which it has long historical ties.

Brussels – The EEC yesterday gave its full support to France in its diplomatic dispute with Iran. EEC Foreign Ministers said the Twelve would give the French Embassy in Tehran "all possible humanitarian and material support" (Richard Owen writes). Mr Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, the Danish Foreign Minister, said Denmark's Ambassador in Tehran had asked Iran to permit other EEC countries to aid the French, and had reported that there appeared to be "no barriers to this".

Gulf resolution a turning point for Security Council

From Zoriana Pysariwsky, New York

The United Nations Security Council has decided to adopt a far-reaching resolution aimed at ending the Gulf War, which includes the threat of an arms embargo against Iran. The decision marks the first conscious effort by the Council's five permanent members to work as a team since the UN Charter was signed in 1945.

As the victors of the Second World War, Britain, France, China, the United States and the Soviet Union were given special oversight powers for world peace. But the early onset of rivalry between the two superpowers virtually paralysed the council from adopting measures other than symbolic ones with little enforcement means. For the five, their only distinction from the rest of the UN membership became their power of veto.

What makes the Gulf resolution different from any other is that its draft was conceived and defined by the five without consultation with their elected colleagues on the council. The five appear to have accepted finally their power to take matters of world peace into their own hands.

The arrival of Western foreign ministers specifically for yesterday's deliberations of the council was unprecedented. It is likely to be regarded as a turning point in the Western approach to the UN, which has tended to view the council as merely an extension and outlet for Third World domestic politics.

The US, particularly during the Reagan Administration, has for the most part played an obstructionist role at the UN, blocking measures not to its liking. But earlier this year its desire to recoup some of its losses in the Arab world as a result of the arms-for-hostages scandal set the Administration on a track to isolate Iran internationally.

Not only was Iran yesterday facing the threat of an arms embargo, it had also become the first Third World country to fall from grace at the UN in such a way. In 1977, under a British Labour Government and the Carter Administration, the UN Security Council adopted a military arms embargo against South Africa.

Diplomatic observers say that however great Iran's penchant for portraying itself as the iconoclast of the Middle East, the inevitable equation of it with South Africa is certain to be a severe diplomatic blow to its Islamic government and is likely to force states to pursue any relations with it with extreme caution.

The only other time the council has met exclusively at foreign ministerial level was in 1985 in a ceremonial session to mark the 40th anniversary of the UN's founding. Though they had pledged to work for a council with more relevance, it was a new level of desperation in the Gulf War that forced divergent views to merge into the first formidable resolution on the conflict.

The Gulf ceasefire draft is likely to go down in history as one of the highlights of the UN. Others include Resolutions 242 and 338 outlining a Middle East peace.

Since the 1960s the council has focused almost exclusively on South Africa and the Middle East, but with few exceptions observers believe the measures imparted have had little meaning or impact.

The countries serving on the council are: Argentina, Britain, Bulgaria, China, Congo, France, Ghana, Italy, Japan, the Soviet Union, United Arab Emirates, the United States, Venezuela, West Germany and Zambia.

London – A special Iranian airborne brigade backed by Kurdish guerrillas launched a long-range raid into northern Iraq and seized control of the strategic town of Atrush, Tehran Radio said yesterday (Reuter reports). It announced the "audacious guerrilla operation" only hours before the UN Security Council was expected to pass a resolution calling for an immediate ceasefire in the Iran-Iraq war.

The radio said more than 1,100 Iraqi troops were killed or injured.

Demjanjuk allowed new lawyer

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

With obvious reluctance, the war crimes court in Jerusalem yesterday agreed that Mr Mark O'Connor should be allowed to end his five-year-long defence of Mr John Demjanjuk, who is accused of being "Ivan the Terrible", the mass executioner at Treblinka. The trial will resume on Monday with the defence presented by a new team.

Mr O'Connor was told on Sunday that his client did not wish to see him. He then wrote to the court saying there was nothing more he could do since Mr Demjanjuk "chooses not to take responsibility for his own life in this matter".

In his letter Mr O'Connor criticized Mr Yoram Sheftel, the Israeli lawyer chosen to take over the case, saying he was unprepared to defend. He listed seven points of the case on which his former junior was unfamiliar.

But Mr John Demjanjuk, the defendant's son, yesterday counter-charged that Mr O'Connor was not ready to defend. "After five years you would think he would have been ready to go to trial, but the fact is he is not ... As far as the letter is concerned, it does not deserve a sophisticated adjective."

Mr Demjanjuk added that Mr John Broadley, the American lawyer who was said last week to be ready to take over the case, had now withdrawn and other lawyers were being sought.

Most of yesterday's hearing took place behind closed doors before the session began. In the corridor, Mr Sheftel could often be heard pleading for a longer recess.

Nicaragua plea for more aid

From David Gollob, Managua

President Ortega of Nicaragua has appealed to friendly countries to increase economic aid to counteract the effects of the war against the US-sponsored Contras.

In a national broadcast marking the eighth anniversary of the revolution that brought the Sandinista Front to power, President Ortega said economic damage caused by the Contras had soared from $15 million (about £9.5 million) in 1981 to nearly $300 million in 1986, and export earnings had fallen from nearly $500 million to an estimated $280 million.

Nicaragua has received $3.7 billion in foreign aid since the revolution. In that time the Reagan Administration had poured $1.9 billion into the Contra war effort, Señor Ortega said.

Foreign aid is declining. West Germany cut off bilateral aid in 1985. France and The Netherlands have also substantially reduced assistance, in line with European Community plans to replace bilateral aid programmes with a regional package.

Nicaraguan officials have expressed fears that Canada is reconsidering its aid commitment. But what most concerns the Government is the apparent reluctance of the Soviet Union to remain the sole supplier of petroleum. In May and June Nicaraguan officials began an urgent search for new suppliers, but returned home empty-handed. Had the Soviet Union not delivered a last-minute shipment, Nicaragua's economy would by now have ceased functioning.

British warships to shoot if provoked

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

British warships in the Gulf have been instructed to retaliate if attacked by the Iranians, Mr George Younger, the Secretary of State for Defence, said.

He said that while there were British ships in the danger zone the Navy would be adopting a low-profile, non-provocative approach. But, he added: "Our forces have the ability to defend themselves and if they are attacked they have instructions to defend themselves".

Mr Younger said, however, that there were no signs that Iran intended to attack British ships. "The next week or so may be a bit tense but if cooler counsels prevail then there's a chance that there will be actually no shooting taking place."

Britain's patrol in the region consists of the warship frigates HMS Active and HMS Cardiff and the auxiliary vessel HMS Orangeleaf. The guided-missile destroyer HMS Broadsword is on reserve.

The patrol is escorting seven ships a week from the Strait of Hormuz to Bahrain, and has nursed through some 120 since the beginning of the year.

Meanwhile, Dr David Owen, the SDP leader, yesterday called on Mrs Thatcher to press the United Nations Security Council for a multi-national peace-keeping effort in the Gulf involving the Soviet Union. He described the situation there as "dangerous" and said that as an important maritime power the Soviet Union had a critical role to play.

Senior Conservative MPs believe Britain should not hesitate to support the US with military force if there is a showdown in the Gulf following Washington's decision to reflag and protect 11 Kuwaiti tankers.

Poindexter rejects Foley's 'act of war' accusation

A partial text of Rear-Admiral Poindexter's testimony yesterday to the congressional committee in Washington.

Representative Thomas Foley (House majority leader): ... You testified that President Reagan knew in a general way of your efforts and that of Colonel North and others on the National Security Council staff to assist the Contras ... Did you authorize Colonel North to coordinate or otherwise participate in any fashion in the procurement of arms to the Contras in 1985 and 1986?

Poindexter: These activities were ongoing when I took over as National Security Advisor in January of 1985, and my instructions to Colonel North were to continue on course. And that certainly would have included the coordination and discussion between the private parties, the private support network, and the Contra leadership to get the right kind of arms that they needed.

Did you tell the President that you were so instructing Colonel North?

I don't recall telling him that specifically ...

Colonel North testified that he had discussions with David Walker concerning certain military missions inside Nicaragua during 1985. Did you know about these activities?

I recall that Colonel North reported to me at one point that a man named David Walker had come to town and, as I recall, Secretary John Lehman, who was Secretary of the Navy at the time, had made it known that Walker was an interesting person, that somebody ought to talk to him. Colonel North reported talking to David Walker and generally laid out who he was and what sort of assistance he might be able to provide the Contra leadership.

You knew that he was a former SAS officer?

I believe I did.

Do you know whether Colonel North directed him to the Contra leadership and helped coordinate his activity?

I don't recall knowing that. I would not have been surprised.

You wouldn't have disapproved of that effort?

Absolutely not.

Were you concerned about the US Government being involved through an intermediary security specialist in the performance of military operations inside Nicaragua?

I don't think that's inappropriate at all ... I did not feel as if the Boland Amendment applied to the NSC staff and there weren't any restrictions on our putting the Contra leadership in contact with people that might be of assistance to them. They needed help. We were trying to do everything we could to help them.

... Isn't it true that if the US Government directly perpetrated acts of military violence inside a country with which we have diplomatic relations, that could be considered an act of war?

... I don't consider that an act of war. The Sandinista Government is exporting revolution to the surrounding countries of the area. I think that's a much more serious problem. All that we were doing was putting the Contra leadership in contact with an expert that might be of assistance to them ...

... But they are acts of military violence, would you agree?

I am not saying that we were directly involved in that. What I am saying is that Colonel North talked to Mr Walker to find out what his capabilities were and then I assumed that he put Walker in contact with the Contra leadership. What the Contra leadership decided to do with Mr Walker is a decision for the Contra leadership.

Was the President informed of Mr Walker's activity at any time?

No, he was not.

... With regard to details of bank accounts that General Secord may or may not have had, I simply didn't get involved in that.

Were you told how much money was available to the Contra leadership from these accounts?

... Colonel North indicated to me that there was $6 million available. Earlier on, when the support was coming from what we have referred to as Country Two (Saudi Arabia) I was generally aware of the amount of money that was available then.

Were you led to believe by Colonel North that $6 million from the sale of arms to Iran was going to be available to the Contras? That's the reference I was just making.

... You had no knowledge of how much actually went to the Contras?

No, I do not know.

Do you know if the main force of the Contras, the FDN, was ever provided with any of the funds from the diversion of funds?

I have no basis on which to answer that question.

You don't actually know who got the money?

I don't know that ...

... Do you believe that the violation of our stated policy around the world through Operation Staunch (not supplying Iran with arms) and other activities was not seriously damaged ...?

Absolutely not ... As it turns out, Bill Casey (late CIA Director) and I firmly believed that the actions that we had taken with the Iranians ... were responsible for preventing or postponing a major Iranian attack across the border against Iraq ... That didn't have anything to do with the fact that we had provided arms. It had to do with our discussions with the Iranians, explaining to them that we didn't think the Soviets would ever allow them to defeat Iraq and they better rethink their situation.

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Portuguese voters show confidence in Government

Election landslide opens the way for Cavaco's reforms

From Richard Wigg, Lisbon

With his landslide victory in Sunday's general elections Portugal's Social Democrat leader, Professor Anibal Cavaco Silva, is free to implement a project to modernize his country by encouraging private enterprise.

The Social Democrats will have at least 142 seats in the new 250-seat national assembly compared with only 88 in the dissolved one. But the Socialists, though confirmed as the main opposition party, have only 57 seats, some 30 more than the Communists.

The Democratic Renewal Party of former President Eanes has only seven seats against 45 in the old parliament, and the right-wing Christian Democrats four.

This is the first time since the 1974 armed forces coup ended almost 50 years of authoritarian rule that any single party has enjoyed an overall majority.

The Prime Minister has quickly indicated that he intends to push ahead with legislation which was blocked in the previous parliament, notably a Bill that will make it easier for employers to hire and fire workers. Laws passed after the revolution banned sackings, and the Social Democrats say this discourages new investment and job creation.

The Government will seize the opportunity to tackle another outcome of the revolution — Communist agrarian reform in the Alentejo region. It already has to hand measures for quick compensation of previous owners and dispossessed tenant farmers. The Communist vote fell on Sunday, even in the Alentejo.

The Social Democrats have also promised to end the state television monopoly and introduce commercial stations.

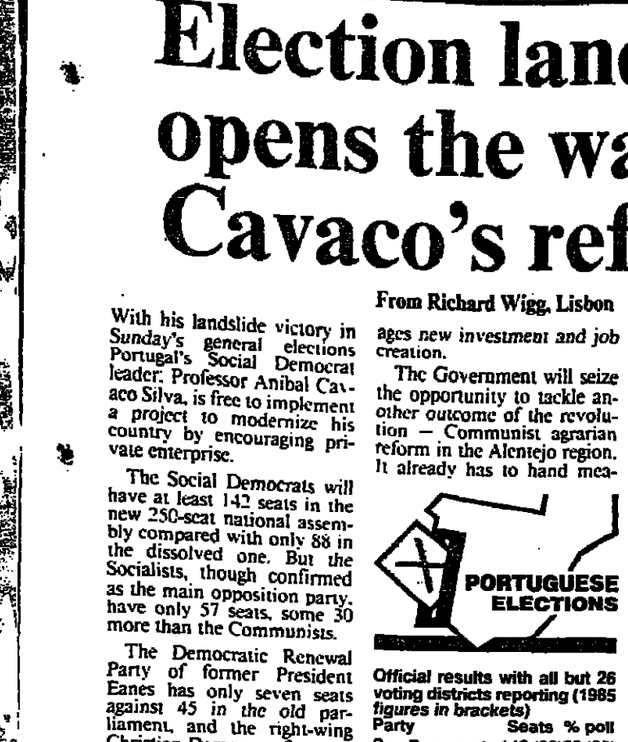
Professor Cavaco's election programme also provided for eliminating the more ideological clauses of the 1976 Constitution. But here the Social Democrats will still need to negotiate with the Socialists to get the required two-thirds majority.

Professor Cavaco's skilful search for a nationwide mandate means the Social Democratic Party now has support ranging from the right, which may now be tempted to believe its hour has come again, across to the centre-left. But reconciling the conflicting interests may prove difficult. Though led from the right of centre, the party is pledged not only to create more wealth but to distribute it more justly.

The size of the swing to the Government caused Dr Vitor Constancio, the Socialist leader, to warn that the Opposition intends to be vigilant about possible abuses of power.

In the elections to the European Parliament the same prize for personalities brought a handsome win for Senhor Francisco Lucas Pires, who far outshone his own Christian Democrat Party.

For the Socialists a former presidential candidate, Senhora Maria Pintasilgo, also did better than Dr Constancio, who seems, however, to have confirmed his leadership.



Official results with all but 26 voting districts reporting (1985 figures in brackets)

Party	Seats	% poll
Soc Democrat	142 (88)	50 (30)
Socialist	57 (57)	22 (20)
Communist	28 (38)	12 (15)
Dem Renewal	7 (45)	4 (17)
Christian Dem	4 (22)	4 (9)

Twelve seats still to be decided on basis of outstanding districts.



Professor Anibal Cavaco Silva cutting a slice of victory cake for his wife, Maria, after his Social Democratic Party won a resounding victory in the Portuguese general elections.

Intellectual leader who strikes a chord with the masses

Lisbon — "Tomorrow morning let us go back to work", Professor Anibal Cavaco Silva, Portugal's Social Democrat leader, sternly told supporters on Sunday as they were noisily celebrating victory. They roared their applause (Richard Wigg writes).

The 48-year-old son of an Algarve petrol station owner worked his way up "from the bottom rungs", as he repeatedly told his election audiences, by hard work and intense personal discipline.

It is not the formula that everyone would immediately think of to capture an unparalleled majority among the eight million Portuguese voters. But this intellectual with an intense appearance "connects" as a leader with the people. He obviously enjoys this phenomenon as much as they do, which strikingly fits the changed mood of Portugal a decade or so after the dreams of the 1974 revolution turned into disillusionment.

Man in the News

Professor Cavaco entered the Social Democratic Party after it had been founded by the late Dr Francisco Sá Carneiro to be a bulwark in northern Portugal against the left-wing revolution. He was, for a few months finance minister, but did not agree with his leader, nor in those days make much of an impression on the Lisbon political stage.

His time came in 1985, when a coalition between the socialists and his own party got into increasing difficulties. He engineered the downfall of that coalition government the day after Portugal signed its accession treaty to the EEC.

The Portuguese electorate gave him a first chance to be Prime Minister in the October general election that year. He seized the opportunity firmly.

Sixteen months later when former President Eanes, as head of the Democratic Renewal Party, blundered, tabling a censure motion, the economics professor sensed his hour had arrived. He appealed through the television cameras over the heads of MPs directly to the Portuguese people. That day he started the campaign which ended with Sunday's triumph.

Thugs and death squads flourish in poverty-hit Rio

From Mac Margolis, Nova Iguaçu, Brazil

Twice a week Senhor Manoel Castilho Moreira paints the new wooden crosses at Marapicu cemetery white. On each cross a number, rather than a name, is recorded in tidy black stencil. Number 880 was recently stencilled on the last cross.

The paupers' graveyard, spreading along the side of a stately three-century-old church and nestling under a rising scarp, has been busy lately. "No bodies came today," said Senhor Moreira, the cemetery's caretaker. "Three came yesterday," he added, pointing to three fresh mounds of earth at the cemetery's edge. "There aren't many days that a body doesn't get buried here."

This grisly accounting has become routine in Nova Iguaçu, a sprawling, poverty-hit suburb 30 miles from Rio de Janeiro's postcard beaches.

Disease and malnourishment have claimed a large share of the victims. But violence also flourishes here. Not only random killing but, increasingly, organized violence has beset the Baixada Fluminense, a series of lowland communities like this one, hugging Rio's suburban railroad tracks and known havens for drug traffickers, car thieves, and the local "dons" of an illegal lottery.

Though reliable statistics are lacking, police know that 1,100 murders were committed in Rio de Janeiro State in March and April alone. The Secretary of the Rio police, Senhor Marcos Heusi, admitted that the majority were victims of death squads.

Poverty and violence have long characterized the lowlands, where a blue collar is a status symbol and the lucky ones draw a steady wage of £19 a month. Whole families live in one-room shacks, diseases such as leprosy still abound, and nobody dies of old age.

Life, while it lasts, at times seems as devalued as Brazil's inflation-corroded cruzado. Lawyers for the Peace and Justice Commission linked with the Roman Catholic Church, told of one recent afternoon in the town of Campo de Lemos, where children played soccer beside a corpse riddled with five bullet holes.

Father Luis Thomaz, a member of the commission, said: "Sometimes a corpse lies out in the street for 12, 13, 14 hours."

Although many of the killings result from territorial rivalry between gangs, police attribute a large number to vigilante groups, or "death squads", many of them dating back to the days of military rule. Today, however, the squads aim at common criminals instead of political dissidents.

But the death squads have been eclipsed lately by bands of thugs — members include delinquents and former police officers and soldiers — hired by merchants to protect themselves against thieves and assailants. They are dubbed *policia Mineira*.

Both groups work by night. They use 9 mm pistols, shotguns, and nylon garrottes — or machine guns for heavier work. Their victims range from simple assailants to armed thieves, from murderers to debtors.

The fee for each "job" varies. A common criminal costs as little as 5,000 cruzados (about £60). Big-time criminals fetch at least 50 thousand cruzados. .

Senhor Moreira explains: "You know the victims. They are the ones who come in as 'PPAF' (perforation produced by firearm)." Of 50 burials in May, 20 of the death certificates logged the cause of death as PPAF.

Both the Government and its critics point to the same reasons for the rise of death-squad violence. Father Thomaz said: "The system of justice is completely discredited."

Senhor Heusi lamented: "The State has lost its monopoly on force." He blamed low salaries and under-funded police forces.

Some dispute that claim, arguing that violence is a permanent feature of the Baixada. Inspector Edmir de Oliveira Moreira, of the precinct of Mesquita, said: "It's always been this way."

Rio de Janeiro — The gaping rift between President Sarney and his ruling party yawned even wider at the weekend when the Brazilian Democratic Movement Party refused to vote on the duration of the presidential mandate (Our Correspondent writes).

Ignoring a request by Senhor Sarney, the party decided late on Sunday night to leave the decision to the Constituent Assembly, which is drafting a new constitution.

The delay may have saved a split in the party, which is divided sharply into those who want a four-year presidential term and Sarney loyalists who support a five-year mandate.

Senhor Sarney, who assumed the presidency in March 1985, still does not know how long he will be in office, and, according to him, he cannot tackle the problems of the enormous foreign debt and inflation-ridden economy until his mandate is defined.

He recently tried to break the impasse, declaring on nationwide television his intention to leave office only after a five-year term, that is, in 1990.

Fiji urged don't cut crown ties

Suva (Reuter) — Ratu Sir Penaia Ganilau, the Governor-General of Fiji, yesterday urged the island's traditional chiefs to maintain parliamentary democracy and not sever ties with the British crown.

"Fiji should not sever the ties with the Queen and should continue with a parliamentary democracy," he told the Great Council of Chiefs, who are considering restoring democracy in the wake of the coup in May. The chiefs ceded the islands to the British Crown in 1874.

A few hours before a small bomb exploded in the hotel where the meeting was to be held, but no one was hurt.

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Painting home

Narita, Japan (AFP) — The world's most expensive painting, Vincent Van Gogh's *Sunflowers*, has arrived here to take up residence in its new home, the company museum of Yasuda Fire and Marine Insurance Company, who paid a record £22.5 million for it at an auction in London.

Poet injured

Madrid (Reuter) — Rafael Alberti, the 84-year-old Spanish Communist poet, was recovering in a Madrid hospital yesterday from a car accident at the weekend in which he broke a leg.

Typhoon aid

Seoul (AP) — The South Korean government will provide £150 million aid for rehabilitation projects following the devastating typhoon that hit the southern coast last week.

Down to earth

Nice (AP) — French police have rearrested Philippe Truc and an unidentified accomplice, who escaped from prison here by helicopter on Sunday, after a brief skirmish yesterday in which one shot was fired, but no one was hurt.

Paraguay tries to polish its tarnished image

From Eduardo Cué
Asunción, Paraguay

A steady stream of visitors arrive at the wrought-iron gate, making their way to the garden and into the large, turn-of-the-century house. Inside, in the parlour decorated with a small bust of John F. Kennedy, strategy sessions and interviews are interrupted by telephone calls from political activists and foreign embassies.

Dr Domingo Laino, Paraguay's best known opposition leader, is home again after almost five years of forced political exile in Brazil and Argentina.

This return, and that of other political opponents of the 33-year-old regime of President Stroessner, coupled with the recent lifting of the state of siege in the capital, are part of an effort by the Government to improve its deteriorating international image in the months before the February 1988 presidential election.

"There have been some changes and a timid liberalization, but they have no real significance," Dr Laino said in an interview. "We have been able to hold rallies without being beaten or arrested. We are occupying the space the Government is giving us."

Dr Laino's Authentic Liberal Radical Party recently sponsored the largest political rally since the three-decade-old state of siege was lifted on April 9. At a gathering of 15,000 people in Coronel Oviedo, a city 80 miles east of Asunción, he called for the formation of a broad national front to oppose the dictatorship of President Stroessner.

Despite the recent changes, human rights organizations and Western diplomats here agree that government repression has actually worsened since the lifting of the state of siege. There are reports that torture is used to extract confessions from common criminals. Peasants are violently expelled from lands they have occupied and begun to cultivate. Señor Edwin M. Britz, a human rights lawyer, said: "Repression and arbitrary detentions continue."

As if to prove its critics right, the Government is preparing to incorporate into the penal code existing public order and national security laws, thereby institutionalizing political repression. The vaguely-worded code will prohibit gatherings of more than three people.

Since the state of siege was lifted, the police have permitted some street demonstrations while violently repressing others. In May doctors and nurses from the Clinical Hospital holding a peaceful rally to demand higher wages, were beaten by club-wielding police.

"The authorities have never complied with the habeas corpus petitions and the courts don't insist that the law be followed," Señor Britz said. "Until now the police would simply send the courts an informal note saying that a person had been detained under the state of siege. Now they just invent any crime or offer no explanation at all."

Moroccan signal to Europe

Hassan applies for EEC membership

From Richard Owen, Brussels

Barely three months after Turkey applied to become the European Community's 13th member, and despite his mixed reception in Britain only last week, King Hassan of Morocco yesterday formally applied for Moroccan membership of the Community in a letter to EEC Foreign Ministers meeting in Brussels.

Denmark, which currently holds the presidency of the Council of Ministers, immediately commented that Morocco was "not eligible". But the Ministers agreed to consider the application at their next session in September.

Under Community rules, the Council of Ministers decides whether to refer a membership application to the Commission for further study. The consensus in Brussels yesterday however was that King Hassan was sending what Mr Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, the Danish Foreign Minister and President of the Council, called a "very clear signal of Morocco's European orientation" which was intended to symbolize the "close and warm relations between Morocco and the EEC". Mr Willy de Clercq, the Commissioner for External Relations, said that the EEC was "touched" by the interest shown by King Hassan in the Community.

Diplomats said King Hassan appeared to have a variety of motives, including the long-term aim of an association agreement with the Community if his membership application fails.

In the short-term, sources said, the King was seeking improved fishing rights in his dispute with Spain. A five-year agreement between Spain and Morocco on fishing in the Atlantic expires at the end of the month and is to be replaced by an overall agreement between Morocco and the EEC.

The sources believe King Hassan also wants European support in the conflict in the Western Sahara. Diplomats added that the Moroccan move was a signal as well to the Maghreb (north-west African) countries, who are moving tentatively towards an economic union, that Morocco has "other cards to play".

Pasta may start trade war

EEC officials said yesterday that unless the United States softened its stand over "trade protectionism" Europe and America were heading for a spiralling tit-for-tat trans-atlantic trade war this summer (Richard Owen writes from Brussels).

The immediate focus of European concern is an American threat to prevent Italian pasta products making inroads into the American market. Washington has said it will impose high tariffs against EEC pasta exports. But Community officials said there was also a wider EEC concern over the US Trade Bill now passing through Congress, which Brussels believes will discriminate against European exporters by protecting American domestic industry and agriculture.

Mr Willy de Clercq, the External Affairs Commissioner, who has just returned from talks in Washington, yesterday told EEC foreign ministers that he had warned American officials that proposed sanctions would in the end hurt the US itself since they would invite inevitable European retaliation. The foreign ministers said in a statement yesterday that the EEC was ready to continue negotiations with Washington, but emphasized that if the US took "unilateral restrictive action" against European products the EEC would have no option but to take "immediate measures having an equivalent effect on the import of products originating in the United States".

Mr Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, the Danish Foreign Minister and current President of the EEC Council of Ministers, said a new trade war would have a damaging impact on the Uruguay round of Gatt (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade), which had made a promising start by agreeing on the need for a global reduction in the farm subsidies which fuel international trade conflicts.

Paradise lost in Afghan valley of death

Afghan civilians have paid a heavy price for resistance to Soviet invasion forces. In the second of three reports, **Gavin Bell** *recounts the fate of a rural community.*

The hammer-and-sickle has reaped a bitter harvest in the Valley of Flowers. The corn still ripens in the sun, and vivid banks of tall blue daisies sway in a gentle breeze, but there is nobody left to gather them. Soviet and Afghan guns have transformed this high meadow into a valley of death. The silence is unnerving. It's as if someone had dropped a bomb in the Garden of Eden.

In the Pashto language, Gulghoundi means "flower hills". In fact, it is a natural basin of rich soil dominated by the snow-capped peak of Spinghar, the 15,620 ft "white mountain" close to the Pakistan border.

For five years the farmers of the valley endured sporadic shelling of their fields, always optimistic that next year it would stop. Instead, it gradually intensified and their villages began to come under fire. The most savage bombardments came during a Soviet offensive against Mujahidin bases in the surrounding hills last month, and the few remaining civilians fled to refugee camps in Pakistan, because there was nowhere else to go.

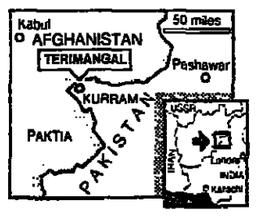
The largest village housed about 100 families, totalling 1,000 people. It is now deserted, a nightmare of shattered mud-brick houses and bomb craters stinking with stagnant water. Not a single building survived the storm of high explosives. The village has simply ceased to exist.

The scene reinforces Mujahidin claims that the Soviet Union is waging war against the rural civilian populations of Afghanistan. Like the Highland Clearances in Scotland, the aim is to rid the mountains of rebellious clans by driving out the peasants who support and sustain them.

Mr Omar Sherdil, a leader of the Jamiat Islami Mujahidin, who escorted *The Times* to the area, said that what happened at Gulghoundi was typical of Soviet tactics throughout the country. He added that there were two million "internal" refugees in Afghanistan, in addition to the estimated 3.5 million in Pakistan. Those who could not reach the border fled to the cities or the high mountains.



Mujahidin patrolling the ruins of Gulghoundi, one of many Afghan villages destroyed by repeated Soviet bombardment.



"The number is growing every day. In every province, the Russians are burning crops and buying up the remainder at inflated prices. They are using various tactics to depopulate the countryside. Starvation is one of them."

In the distance, a lone figure moved in a wheatfield. It was Mr Shaqar Gul, aged 64, who comes from a neighbouring village heavily scarred by the recent shelling. He had returned with his wife for a few days to gather what remained of his crop and to assess the prospects for next season.

"Last month the Russians came and destroyed many of our fields with planes and big guns, so we all left," he said. "But we get no money and little food in the refugee camps, so sometimes we come back to water our crops and gather what we can. If there is no heavy bombing for a few days, I may plant again for next year."

He had just turned away when a mortar whined over our heads and exploded in an adjacent field. Within minutes, a sustained barrage filled the air with whistles and flashes of fire. Mr Gul and his wife herded their three cows and a sheep towards the dubious refuge of a copse.

Back at the Jamiat base on a ridge overlooking the valley, two bedraggled figures approached with a Mujahidin escort. They were Afghan army deserters, press-ganged into service in the northern province of Kunar six months ago. Mr Zain Lah, aged 21, told their story.

"We were attacked always with missiles, and had to go into bunkers, but still four or five of us were killed or injured every night."

Four days previously, the pair had escaped under cover of darkness from a military convoy heading for Jalalabad. After a six-hour hike into the mountains, they were intercepted by a Hezb-Islami Mujahidin patrol.

The deserters showed no signs of having been maltreated. Indeed, they said, they had been given food, shelter, a little money and an armed escort to help them reach relatives in a Pakistani refugee camp. Shortly, they will return to Afghanistan — but this time as Mujahidin.

Meanwhile, there are reports that Mr Muhammad Anwar, who commands 1,500 Jamiat Mujahidin in Paktia province, plans a big attack on a nearby garrison. The Valley of Flowers, it seems, faces another harvest of destruction.

Tomorrow, Pakistani fears.

Moscow — The Afghanistan leader, Dr Najib, who arrived unexpectedly on Sunday, met Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, in the Kremlin yesterday. Details of the talks were not disclosed. Moscow is thought to be concerned about an upsurge in fighting (Mary Dejevsky writes).

"I was working in my uncle's shop when they took me, and they got my friend Ghlam as he was returning from the mosque. We were taken to an Afghan garrison with Russian officers.

"The Afghan soldiers don't like to fight the Mujahidin, and try to escape, but they are afraid of the Russians. The Russian officers stay in their own places, and come only to give orders.

No peace in paradise

Two months after Fiji's government was ousted, a republic is planned. But, as Brian James reports, racial violence is a growing threat



Fijians wait for news from Colonel Rabuka (right) . . .



. . . but meanwhile the Indians are preparing for battle

The Australian businessman was pessimistic about Fiji's prospects. "There's already a shortage of Heinz ketchup in the shops," he complained. As the indicator to a national crisis it rivalled Marie Antoinette's remark about cake.

It seems especially trivial now democracy looks to be slipping uncontrollably away from the islands. Within weeks, the country could be declared a republic. Yet the businessman was making an entirely serious point about the economic cost of the two-month-old coup. Half the nation's reserves have been wiped out, the tourist industry has collapsed, customs revenue has reduced to a trickle and there are now the first signs of shortages in the shops.

Sir Vijay Singh is a former attorney-general of Fiji and now chief executive of the council representing sugar-cane growers, most of them Indian. "I notice a very marked cooling off of enthusiasm for the coup," he said, "now that the bills are coming in".

Sir Vijay represents 22,000 growers who for six weeks refused to harvest the crop on which 90 per cent of Fiji's earning depends. We spoke soon after a 12-hour meeting which had thrashed out a settlement of the boycott.

Next day I flew with Sir Vijay to Fiji's second island, Vanua Levu, where he put the plan to a meeting of more than 1,000 growers. A single clatter of applause signified a vote of approval. Within hours we saw the cane being cut in the fields.

It was peace, but not victory. There were few smiles. For the Indians were cutting with the words of their leaders in their ears: "When the money comes in, save it. Plant land for your own food. Prepare for the hard times."

'Now the bills are coming in, there has been a marked cooling of enthusiasm for the coup'

The end of the cane-growers' protest against the military coup merely holds at bay a total collapse of the Fijian economy. The Government is now trying to attract tourists back to the land of a million smiles, but they face a long struggle. Only yesterday a bomb exploded at a luxury hotel in Nadi, about 100 miles north of Suva, and a group calling itself Fiji's Freedom Fighters claimed it was the start of a campaign to hit tourism.

It is supposed to be peak tourist season, but you have to walk 200 yards mid-evening in the capital's main street to find someone to ask the time, and you enter restaurants to find that the only people seated are the staff.

Fijians like to boast that they staged the most civilized military coup in history. This may be true: nobody was killed or mistreated on May 14 when Colonel Sitiveni Rabuka's soldiers arrived to remove the first-ever government formed by the opposition coalition party.

There has been only one day of rioting since then, with a few windows and fewer heads cracked, and some Fijians like to recall how they stood sentinel in the gardens of Indian friends that night. But neither the calculated care of the military nor the instinctive humanity of neighbours should disguise the ugly prospects for Fiji. There is a fear rooted in native Fijians that they may become numerically and economically inferior on their own chain of islands, the Aboriginals or Maoris of the 21st century.

The coup was portrayed as a bold military man's solution to a crisis he foresaw when the Indian-dominated coalition further strengthened the immigrants' hold on Fiji. That is specious.

It is rumoured that the CIA backed the coup. There are denials, but senior Fiji officials will offer to show you the land already purchased next to Colonel Rabuka's village for use as an American airbase when the republic is declared.

The other story has the army acting to stop the deposed government swinging leftward into the arms of Libya. Last week it was revealed that another South Pacific island nation, Vanuatu, has been offered £25 million in return for establishing a Libyan people's bureau.

But the core issue has always been the distaste of the tribal chiefs for power doled out by the grassroots in four-year subventions to a parliament. The democracy imposed from London at Fiji's independence in 1970 was becoming tiresome. It had to go. Many wanted to return to the paramountcy of the Great Council of Chiefs, which began a two-day meeting yesterday.

'The Indians have tried to blackmail us with their economic power. It's time for them to pack up and go'

Apisai Tora, one of the key men in the republican Taukei movement (which translates as Land of the People), said: "We shall recover the rights of Fijians sold out in London in 1970. We have no need for your system, your democracy. We shall never again have such things imposed on our own paramountcy.

"The Indians, who were not really hurt by a very Fiji-style coup, have learned nothing. They are now really pressing their luck. They have tried to blackmail us with economic power. It is becoming Fiji for Fijians now. We took in the Indians which Britain brought us, let them live in peace and harmony and let them make money from our generosity.

"There has been no single act of reprocity. They won't learn our language, our customs, join our political parties. It is time for them to pack up and go."

From the opposing side, Sir Vijay Singh said: "The cane boycott is over because the farmers have made their point, shown their muscle. Now they will prepare. They will store their money, and they will plant crops that will feed their families. If we must go down, we shall fight. What have we to lose?"

To avoid confrontation between the two groups, a constitutional review commission is touring Fiji taking views from groups and individuals. But the commission's chairman, Sir John Falvey, reports with dead-pan diplomacy: "We could not say that there is any clear consensus from the views expressed today, or any other day for that matter."

There is a strong sense in the streets of a people gearing itself for the worst. Men of 60 are back in uniform, manning desks to release more active men for checkpoints. There is talk that the beaches where lovers stroll are being used at night to unload arms.

There are rumours that the Fiji soldiers guarding the Labasa sugar mill are commanded by the Fijian SAS man who took part in the assault on the Iranian embassy in London. Another local hero is an SAS man who served in Northern Ireland.

These stories have a point: to remind you that Fiji military triumphs were not all won with canoes and war clubs. However, not all Indians are middle-class shopkeepers, either.

One expert said: "A civil war? Oh no. Not yet, anyway. But if the Fijians do not draw back, then I see the answer being an Indian campaign of civil unrest, civil disobedience, a poisoning of the atmosphere that will take this island on the slow, sad spiral towards, in time, another Sri Lanka."

One imposing member of the review commission trying to prevent such a campaign is Colonel Rabuka, whose attendance at sessions is marked by two squads of armed soldiers. The accepted view is that if the commission fails to recommend a republic, volunteer squads will take to the streets. Colonel Rabuka does not attend all the commission's meetings. Perhaps he already knows the outcome.

Tough guy at the top

On Thursday the Cabinet will decide the size of next year's financial "cake". The man in charge of cutting it is John Major

As the son of a former trapeze artist, John Major, Chief Secretary at the Treasury and new boy to the Cabinet, may seem an ideal choice for the delicate balancing act of controlling public spending. But he will need other skills as well, as he whittles down the bids of departmental ministers to keep the totals within government targets.

Between now and October there will be bluff, double bluff, table banging and blood on the carpet. Major's name will be increasingly in the public's eye — and he has already signalled to his Cabinet seniors that, for all the pre-election promises on health and local government spending and the brave noises being made about inner-city regeneration, there will be "no blank cheques".

Aged 44, he comes to the Cabinet — the first of the 1979 intake to make it — without the standard Tory pedigree. His father, born in 1876, had long since left the trapeze when Major was a boy; he was elderly, ill and blind. Major himself left school at 15 because the family, living in a terrace house in Brixton, needed his money. He began with a City job, which he loathed, then took to labouring for two or three years because the pay was better. Then he moved into banking, studying in the evenings for his qualifications.

Now, as MP for Huntingdon, with one of the largest Tory majorities in the country, it is hard to believe that Major started political life by hauling a soapbox to Brixton market to harangue shoppers. His political bug was nurtured when Brixton's then Labour MP, Marcus Lipton, took the young Major around the Commons. "I thought 'that's the place I want to go to' and nothing has ever changed my mind," he says.

Major's political experience grew with his election to Lambeth Council, where, as housing chairman, he was predecessor to Ken Livingstone. "My ambition was to demolish the house in which we had lived, but alas the electorate knocked me down before we knocked it down."

The new Chief Secretary is not at all sympathetic to inner-city pleas for extra cash. "We had a capital housing programme of £100 million over three years, which would be a huge amount today. But I don't think that that £100 million expenditure brought £100 million of value to the people of Lambeth . . . We simply didn't use the money properly, so I'm not attracted to the belief that money is the principal solution to inner-city problems."

His political career has been smooth. First he had a spell in the Whips' Office, where as Treasury whip on the Finance Bill he caught Nigel Lawson's eye. Then he went to the Social Security Department to oversee a £41 million spending budget.

A combative Commons performer who is not afraid of an argument — even, it is said, with the Prime Minister — Major is not in the least nervous about facing up to experienced Cabinet hands over their spending plans. The Tories won the election, he argues, as a party pledged to restraint in public expenditure and he sees himself as guardian of those policies. "If we hadn't taken difficult decisions and kept a firm control over public expenditure, then however much we cared, we wouldn't actually have had the money for substantial increases in the health and social security budgets." Colleagues say Major has sufficiently sensitive antennae not to block spending which is politically essential. But there is no doubting his solid sense of mission: "We wish to see the public expenditure profile decline as a proportion of national income. That is a particularly important priority."



John Major: balancing act

But hasn't the Government been a bit too tough, for example, with local government, steadily squeezing down the proportion of expenditure met by the rate support grant? "Local government can't have it both ways. They can't say they want greater accountability and still want the Government to pick up over 60 per cent of the bill.

"If there is a distinction between destroying post-election euphoria and following a spending pattern that will destroy the genuine economic recovery we are seeing, then I would rather destroy the euphoria. That's only puncturing words. I don't want to puncture what's actually working and very successful."

Robin Oakley



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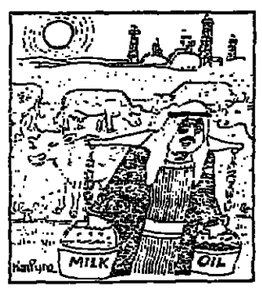
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Milking the desert sands

How an Irish farmer gave Saudi Arabia a booming dairy empire



Beneath the blazing sun of Saudi Arabia, one of the world's largest dairy herds has been established on farms carved from the desert. On 11 farms, 16,000 milking cows survive in temperatures which soar to 143 degrees. Five times an hour they are sprayed with cold water and cooled by fans. Only in the cooler evenings do the American Holstein cattle leave their "environmental houses" to lie outside.

Behind this miracle lies Masstock, an Irish-based farming company with an annual turnover of $380 million. When Paddy McGuckian, now the 48-year-old vice-chairman of the company, and his elder brother Alastair inherited their father's 600-acre dairy farm near Antrim town, they turned their expertise in large-scale livestock management into creating an international company.

They began with four dairy projects in the Saudi Arabian desert, in partnership with a Saudi prince and helped by Saudi government loans. "We went to Saudi convinced that one or two wealthy princes and sheikhs were interested in desert farming," McGuckian says. They chose areas where there was known to be water underground; the land was excavated, sand-dunes levelled, wells drilled and irrigation schemes started. A forage crop could then be grown which, when mowed daily, feeds the cattle.

The project began in 1976 with 500 American Holstein cattle imported aboard jumbo jets; now there is a 16,000-strong herd on farms that are joint ventures with Saudi landowners, and each cow produces yields which are 75 per cent higher than the UK average.

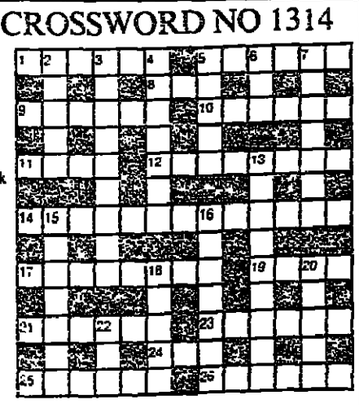
Masstock's activities now include a processing and distribution operation and a technical division. The farms yield 350,000 litres — 65 per cent of the fresh milk produced in the country.

But it is in the manufacture of milk-based products that Masstock has revolutionized the Saudi people. Their best-seller is a cultured milk developed after it was discovered that Saudis disliked drinking milk the way it tastes in Britain. A range of other products including butter, cheese and desserts made by a Northern Ireland subsidiary are exported and wrapped at factories in Saudi.

There are also 21 arable farms producing iceberg lettuce, carrots, broccoli and even strawberries, and soon Masstock hopes to be exporting melons to Britain. "The melons we grow in Saudi are far superior in taste to anything coming from Spain and we think we can supply them much cheaper," McGuckian says.

Richard Ford

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An open letter to all Doctors and Pharmacists. Subject: Opren.

CITIZEN ACTION

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Recently Lilly Industries Ltd, the UK subsidiary of Eli Lilly and Co, wrote to every doctor and pharmacist in the country defending their failure to settle claims for compensation for injuries and illness from the side effects of the anti-arthritis drug Opren (you will recall it was withdrawn after reports of more than sixty deaths in the UK alone, and after thousands of complaints about illness and injury believed to have been caused by it).

In their letter to you, the company claimed that a major obstacle to justice was not its indifference to the sufferers, but rather the negligence of the claimants themselves.

Let's deal with the points they make:

1. The Opren Action Committee insists that "anyone who suffered any injury whilst taking Opren should receive compensation, regardless of the severity".

This is not so. The Committee has always accepted that every claim must be supported by acceptable evidence of injury or illness caused by the drug. Compensation would relate to the severity.

2. We seek compensation "regardless of whether it was a warned side effect of the drug".

The question is, what is a warning? And to whom? In one of its main ads, the company says "Opren has mild and transient side effects". Is that a warning or is that reassurance?

On this page we publish just a few of hundreds of letters from people complaining of long-term side effects. (Obviously connections between specific symptoms and use of Opren need to be proved in specific litigation.)

In the press release issued in the name of their Director of Research at the time they announced the arrival of Opren, stating that "it is the first in a new generation of drugs to attack the disease process itself, as well as providing symptomatic relief", there is no reference whatsoever to any side effects of any kind.

The company's approach was summed up by a letter of complaint sent by the US Food and Drug Administration to the company after its American launch: "generally we believe that your press kit and related material resulted in the communication of false and misleading concepts, accomplished by careful wording, selective emphasis, inappropriate use of headlines, and minimisation of adverse information about the drug". (The company pleaded guilty in court to charges arising from its failure to report deaths and illnesses whilst seeking US approval for the drug, and it was fined.)

3. The delay is largely caused by the claimants' lawyers providing insufficient medical evidence to allow the company to evaluate the cases.

This is not so. Medical evidence has been provided for more than five hundred cases, yet the company has only now indicated it will settle a small handful.

Yes, it has been difficult to obtain medical information, but this is not the fault of claimants or their lawyers, but involves the difficulty of collecting the information (you, as doctors, will know the problems).

More than sufficient information exists for clear conclusions to be reached.

We do not have to tell you the record of this affair. That nearly five years have passed since the drug was withdrawn, but a variety of mechanisms whereby the company could have settled the matter have been rejected, despite the advice of the Master of the Rolls who stated "I see no ground for thinking that these cases are an exception to the general rule that settling genuine disputes by agreement between parties is almost always in the interests of all parties".

We do not like having to spend this money to contact you in this way. But we did not take the initiative. The company did in its expensive letter to you. They did so because they need your support as customers. Before responding to their appeal for sympathy, you may consider what The Times said in a leading article: "its refusal to settle out of court looks like extreme cynicism which ought to be made to rebound on it".

Yours sincerely,

Des Wilson

Des Wilson
On behalf of Citizen Action
(Opren Campaign)

"My wife was prescribed the drug by our GP with the result that she came out in a terrible rash quite suddenly one evening, her skin was burning and blotched perhaps the best description I can give is it was just as if she had rolled in a bed of nettles. I spent the night applying ice bags and when these ran out we used cold towels to obtain some relief from the irritation. We called the doctor in the morning and he said it was the Opren side effects and he filled in a yellow card with details of her condition presumably for the drug company or the Medical Research Council ... Since then my wife can no longer go out in the sun without suffering the same symptoms. She has lost the freedom to sit in the sun, do gardening when the sun shines and unlike other people we can't look for the sun on holiday because of the repercussions. She has in fact lost a part of life which she enjoyed, being out in God's sunshine."

"I am writing to get some help regarding the Opren drug. I was on it for sometime 2 years ago. At the time it was happening to me I did not know about the side effects of the drug. First, I could not walk in the sun even to put clothes on the line, my hair started to fall out, and I was having to go to the toilet to pass water every hour, my nails started to leave my fingers and it was only then when I mentioned to my doctor about the skin and the deep ridges and lines on my nails as to what it could be, he told me it was the drug Opren's side effects and I had taken approx 100 by this time. I still cannot go out into the sun uncovered, my hair did not grow again. In winter I cannot use my electric blanket for I get the same symptoms and its most unfortunate these cold nights I get the same feeling as I do in the sun."

"I too was prescribed Opren tablets for arthritis and have also had a very frightening experience. I was doing some washing one day and went outside to hang it on the line, but before I could hang all the clothes out my face felt as like someone had thrown boiling water over me. I was so upset and frightened so I phoned the chemist and asked if it could be from the tablets and she said to get in touch with the doctor. This I did and I was told not to take any more Opren tablets and was prescribed some more tablets to get rid of the Opren in my system. For a whole week we could not have a fire and I could not cook a meal because the heat was too painful to my face. Now I always seem to be at the doctor's surgery all the time as my stomach and digestive system is always bad. I also believe that Opren is to blame for this trouble as before taking the tablets I never knew what it was to have a bad stomach."

"I am 73 years of age and have been a 'sun worshipper' all my adult life, with only beneficial results to my health. For some years I had been suffering from arthritis and in February 1981 my GP prescribed Opren which literally worked wonders. However, in early April 1981 I went to Sicily for a two week holiday. As soon as I was exposed to the sun I had the most awful sense of sunburn and almost unbearable pain which completely spoilt my holiday. Ever since then, to this day, I am sensitive to the sunshine; something I had never known in the past. On returning from Sicily in 1981 I immediately saw my GP again who then told me he had heard, as also had my chemist, that some people did react to Opren in the way I had done. Of course I at once stopped taking the drug; alas it was too late and I have this permanent handicap that sunlight which in the past I used to enjoy, now hurts me."

THE TIMES DIARY

Chime and a half

The government's Property Services Agency must regret giving a quote to Admiral Christopher Layman, our commander in the Falklands, for installing door bells at his house there. Its estimate was £1,400. Layman was so shocked that he called in the Royal Engineers who, he told the PSA, took two hours and used parts costing £8. Christopher Thomas, the PSA's man in the Falklands, disputes the exact figures – claiming the work took two days and the parts cost £24 – and insists that the admiral originally wanted grander chimes. Too busy to examine the job before pricing it, the estimator had reckoned it was four days' work. But the fundamental explanation is that the Property Services Agency assumes the same labour rate for every job, from changing a light bulb to building a runway – making small tasks appear expensive and large ones cheap. Senior officers are wondering if the admiral has not stumbled on a flaw in the agency's methods so serious as to render them quite useless for deciding whether a job is worth doing.

Out of step

Now that he is due to step down as party chairman, no Tory has a harsh word to say about Norman Tebbit. Or almost no Tory. As it happens the Conservative Group for Homosexuality is spitting over the election posters that featured the book *Young, Gay and Proud* in an attack on the hard left's corrupting influence on schoolchildren. In its periodical, *Open Mind*, the group says the book is essential reading and that not a single chapter can be said to proselytise. Observing that two obvious left-wing targets, Bernie Grant and Ken Livingstone, won their seats, the editorial concludes: "Ironically, Mr Tebbit's smear campaign was a flop." You just can't please them all.

● In another breakthrough for feminism, the West Cherokee tribe in the US has for the first time elected a woman as its chief – a job carrying a $55,000 salary. Her name: Wilma Mankiller.

Rabbi blues

Rabbinical rumblings are beginning over the successor to the Chief Rabbi, Sir Immanuel Jakobovits, even though he is not due to retire until 1991. A liberal movement is gathering steam to block the appointment of Dayan Chanoch Ehrentreu, ultra-orthodox head of the United Synagogue's religious court. Rabbi William Wolff of the Newcastle Reform Synagogue says it should be made "discreetly clear in the right quarters" that his appointment would lead to a formal declaration by the reform and liberal authorities that the Chief Rabbi could no longer speak for the whole of Anglo Jewry. The speculation that Ehrentreu might be in line was sparked when he recently visited Windsor Castle for, some suspected, discreet vetting. Others pointed out yesterday that the Chief Rabbi is always orthodox. "You wouldn't expect the liberal and reform synagogues to be happy," one said.

● Department of obscure intellectual enterprises: a colleague has an acquaintance, a Polish academic, who is toiling over an Irish grammar for Poles.

When I was in...

British diplomats who fancy themselves as writers will now have an incentive to put secretary to typewriter: a competition organized by the Diplomatic Wives Association for short stories on a foreign service theme. The judges include novelist – and former junior Foreign Office minister – Douglas Hurd. A pity we have no man in Cambodia to write *Phnom Penh-Pushing* or an ambassador in Argentina to come up with *Buenos Aires and Graces*.

BARRY FANTONI



'Nothing serious. Just a case of Frickley heat'

Dry humour

The people of Leeds must have read Yorkshire Water Authority's local newspaper ads announcing a £58.9m profit with a wry smile. The ads quoted YWA's chairman, Gordon Jones, telling customers that "security of supplies" was the authority's current priority and reporting "major improvements in the quality of service". The day they appeared, taps ran dry in thousands of homes following two major breakdowns.

PHS

Beginning a series on the implications of the Iran-Contra hearings, Patrick Buchanan sees Oliver North as a patriot vindicated, his inquisitors as regicides who failed

Congress in the dock

Washington

Noon, Wednesday: suddenly it was over, and everyone knew it. The *coup d'état* had failed. Ronald Reagan would survive. As Rear Admiral John Poindexter had testified under oath, Old Dutch was telling us the truth all along.

In November, when it was first revealed that the president had authorized weapons sales to the mullahs, the anger, the anguish, the outrage – even among Reagan's own – were genuine. Today they are synthetic, feigned and transparently so.

After eight months, the arms sale to Iran has become to the current claque of liberals what Nixon's decision to "contain" Watergate was for the generation of 1974: a convenient club to beat to death a president the left could not defeat at the ballot box.

This time it didn't work; the American people, with the help of a passionate and articulate Marine lieutenant-colonel, saw through the falsity and fraudulence of the show trial. The country realized that all this liberal breast-beating and outrage, faked for a compliant news media, was an act. America openly rooted for Ollie North, and against the Sanhedrin of hypocrites trying to tear him down.

In the aftermath of the failed coup, Reagan should go on the offensive. He should block any criminal prosecution of Poindexter or North. Any indictment of either officer would be an offence against justice that ought not to be permitted by the president whom they served honourably, faithfully and well. And the president should so state, publicly. Then North should be sent by the Marines on a speaking tour for the Contras.

If special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh does not get the message and moves to indict Poindexter or North, Reagan should step in with a presidential pardon. This is a political, not a legal, struggle.

Reagan should demand, not request, $500 million for the Contras, not $100 million; and he should settle for nothing less than what the Contras require to continue their fight. No more no-win wars, Mr President. Did not you tell us, sir, that this was the central lesson of Vietnam?

And should the Democratic Party in Congress, with no policy of its own for dealing with the beachhead of the Warsaw Pact on the American mainland, choose to pursue its dog-in-the-manger tactics and abandon the Contras in the field, the president should find the supplies, ship them openly and challenge Congress to impeach him.

It is time for the United States to begin doing openly what the CIA director, Poindexter and North had to do secretly. The time to launch the campaign for Contra aid is now, when the iron is hot and the way to begin that campaign is to award the Medal of Freedom, posthumously, to that splendid American, the Honourable William J. Casey.



North: a genuinely moral man

In a single week, Ollie not only put God and country and the constitution, and all the splendid values he represents, back on the side of the president and the Nicaraguan resistance; he held up a mirror to the ugly face of the inquisition.

What the American people saw was genuine drama. A patriotic son of the republic who, confronted with a grave moral dilemma – whether to betray his comrades and cause or to deceive members of Congress – chose the lesser of two evils, the path of honour. It was magnificent. The American people watched daily the anguish and pain of a genuinely moral man and contrasted it with the stuffy self-righteousness of the Pharisees putting him through his ordeal.

It all showed how far apart we, as a people, have become – and not simply on the issue of Central America. Americans of left and right no longer share the same religion, the same values, the same codes of morality; we only inhabit the same piece of the land.

With the Boland Amendment, Congress passed a death sentence upon the embattled friends of North, and then it instructed men like North to carry it out. Instead, the colonel built a new and ingenious lifeline to keep the Contras alive; and when Congress came to close that down as well, North protected it, at the risk of his own career. He deceived Congress, to save his friends on a field of battle.

That is what the American people, deeply moved, were applauding. And there is another reason they took North to their heart: their belief that the left lacks the moral standing to sit in judgement on anyone – especially North.

Men who proclaim it a great advance for human freedom when 4,000 unborn children are daily shredded in America's abortuaries are to be laughed at when they profess moral horror over the shredding of documents. Men who have cheered every twisted perversion of the constitution by a renegade Supreme Court are frauds when they proclaim themselves profoundly concerned with Reagan's transgressions against the constitutional rights of Congress.

Many truths have emerged from these hearings: few of them to the liking of the left. First among these is that if Nicaragua is ever again free, the capital city of Managua will boast an Avenida Oliver North, leading directly into the Plaza William J. Casey. And if Nicaragua is permanently appended to the Warsaw Pact, moral and political responsibility will rest squarely with the dominant wing of the Democratic Party, which has passively collaborated with Moscow and Managua in bringing that about.

Thanks to three men – Poindexter, Casey and North – the democratic resistance is alive. Thanks to these three men there was an army of 15,000 peasants prepared to fight when a courageous fifth of the Democrats in Congress awoke to their party's folly, openly and bravely crossed the aisle, scrapped the Boland Amendment and voted $100 million in military assistance.

And, damn it, Mr President, the "diversion" was a "neat idea".

The Boland Amendment did not forbid Iranian contributions to the Contras; it did not forbid private aid to the Contras; it did not apply to the National Security Council staff. It was a civil statute with no criminal penalties. And there is no hard evidence that North or Poindexter violated it. Neither man should have been left exposed in the panic of late November. They should have been defended then, as they should be defended now. It is time we retrieved our wounded.

The Boland Amendment was rooted in the same malevolence that motivated an earlier Congress to disarm and desert to its communist enemies a South Vietnamese army that had fought for seven years alongside our own.

With the testimony of North, the Contra cause, the anti-communist cause, has been given one of its great victories of the decade. But continued success requires of the White House more of the mindset of Ollie North. The White House must get off the defensive and go on the attack; the president must not only make the case for the Contras, but against Congress.

It is not Poindexter and North who belong in a court of law – but Congress that belongs in the court of public opinion, explaining why, for three years, it has actively sought a Contra defeat – and its concomitant, a communist victory – in Central America.

If you shoot at a king, be sure you kill him. Don't miss. That was among the things taught us by Richard Nixon when I hooked up with him more that 20 years ago. For the past six months, the left wing of the Democratic Party, and its auxiliaries in the press, have sought to use the Iran-Contra affair to cripple and kill the presidency of Ronald Reagan as they used Watergate to kill the presidency of Richard Nixon. They failed.

Mr President, they are retreating in disarray; and now is the time to let the jackal pack know what it means to strike a king.

The author of this article, which appeared in The Washington Post *on Sunday, resigned earlier this year as White House Director of Communications and was a speech writer for President Nixon.*

Tomorrow: Sir Nicholas Henderson

Andrew Gamble

In search of the social market

We have been hearing a great deal about the social market economy recently. David Owen and his supporters in the SDP have claimed that belief in the social market is what makes the SDP distinctive not only from Liberals but also from market socialists in the Labour Party and from free-market Conservatives. If the merger with the Liberals goes ahead, they warn, there will be no group left in politics putting forward the social market philosophy.

The social market seems to have been a casualty of coalition politics, for it made no appearance in the Alliance manifesto. Perhaps that is why anyone who expresses support for the social market is seen as wanting the SDP to remain an independent party. But what exactly *is* the social market? Does the phrase merely help disguise an old-fashioned power struggle? Does it mean more than whatever SDP policy happens to be?

The social market did not originate with David Owen, although in recent years he has been asserting exclusive rights over it. It was first widely used in Britain by liberal Conservatives such as John Biffen in the 1970s. The first pamphlet issued by the Centre for Policy Studies in 1975 was entitled *Why Britain needs a social market economy*.

The phrase was adopted by Conservatives critical of their party's endorsement of state intervention and high government spending. It was earlier used in Germany, first by Ludwig Erhard and the Christian Democrats and later by the SPD after its third election defeat in 1957, but it had little policy content.

The phrase "social market economy" was coined by Alfred Muller-Armack in 1948. What he meant was an economy based on free markets but subject to legal controls designed to prevent concentrations of economic power and to enforce competition. Like other German liberals he wanted to avoid the concentration of economic power that had taken place under Hitler. The state would have a restricted but important role – preventing concentrations of economic power from reappearing.

David Owen has always used the phrase in a wider sense. He has talked of combining social compassion and market realism. This means accepting the primary role of markets in allocating resources in the private sector, while at the same time advocating policies to promote "a more equal and classless society". These include schemes for industrial partnership, programmes of social welfare, and policies to cushion the social consequences of change, including industrial subsidies and protectionist measures, so long as they are temporary.

Owen argues that the social market approach is not simply non-interventionism combined with support for the welfare state. It justifies specific interventions. But this does not clearly separate him from either social market Conservatives or market socialists, still less from Liberals.

The authors of the Centre for Policy Studies pamphlet argue, for example, that intervention in a market economy can be justified wherever there is market failure – when private and social costs diverge, when poverty is created, and when there are unacceptable concentrations of wealth and economic power. That provides a fairly large agenda. Similarly, Owen's emphasis on industrial partnership is not unique to the SDP. It has been a central theme of Liberal economic policy since the 1950s.

The phrase "the social market economy" really represents the consensus that has existed since the 1950s. There has been a social market economy, in the sense in which both Conservatives and Social Democrats now use the term, ever since wartime controls were scrapped. Assets are overwhelmingly in private hands and the economy is co-ordinated and resources are allocated through markets. Economic policy-making takes place under these constraints.

Britain's problem has not been that it lacked a "social market economy" but that it had a relatively inefficient one. What was at stake in the debates of the 1970s was whether more or less government intervention was necessary to make the private sector more productive and the public sector more affordable.

A distinctive social market position would be a programme that was more in line with Muller-Armack's original concept – the idea that a market economy is only socially beneficial if its tendency to create concentrations of economic power which dwarf the individual is rigorously policed. Otherwise a social market philosophy is likely to become a pro-business philosophy.

No radical social market programme is on offer either from the SDP, the Labour Party or the Liberals. The reason is not hard to seek. It is unnecessary to go further than the proposed merger between British Airways and British Caledonian.

The social market ideal assumes a national economy and a government able to force private interests to operate within general rules. As national economies have given ground before international markets, concentrations of economic power in national economies have come to be justified by the demands of international competition. But there is no international government that can intervene to make the world market a social market. The public interest becomes by default the interest of private corporations. The "social market economy" has become a phrase to justify the economy we already have.

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Bernard Levin: the way we live now

Most heavenly of bodies

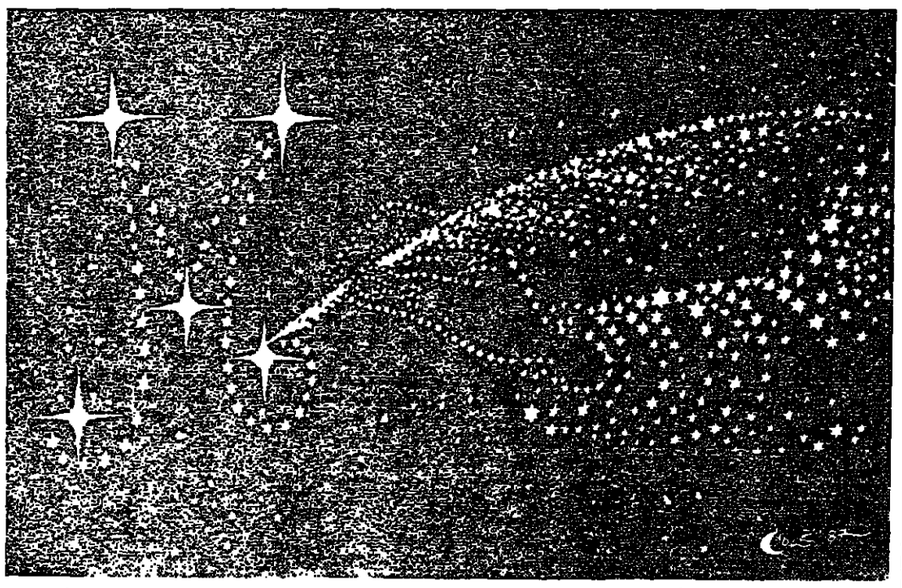
It is reported from Nasa that evidence gathered by two Pioneer spacecraft powerfully suggests that the observed irregularities in the orbits of Uranus and Neptune can now be explained only by the presence of a tenth, hitherto unknown, planet.

It was irregularities in the orbit of Neptune that first put astronomers on the track of Pluto. Its existence and orbit were worked out in 1930 by two American astronomers, and a third, studying a series of photographs of the part of the sky where the new planet was predicted, found it wandering about almost exactly where it was supposed to be.

"Wandering"; it wasn't wandering, of course, but following its allotted path. The ancients, who knew nothing of Pluto, or for that matter of Uranus, first seen in 1781, or Neptune, found in 1846, called the planets wanderers (that is what the word means) because they seemed to sail about the sky in a most scandalous manner, unlike the respectable "fixed" stars. Yet by Shakespeare's day it was the exactitude of the planets' motions which was seen as the most striking thing about them. In the tremendous thunder of the "order" speech in *Troilus and Cressida* (surely as close as Shakespeare ever got to an unambiguous statement of his credo) it is the planets that hold the universe together:

> The heavens themselves, the planets, and this centre
> Observe degree, priority and place,
> Insisture, course, proportion, season, form,
> Office and custom, in all line of order;
> And therefore is the glorious planet Sol
> In noble eminence enthron'd and spher'd
> Amidst the other; whose med'cinable eye
> Corrects the ill aspects of planets evil,
> And posts, like the com-
> -mandment of a king,
> Sans check, to good and bad: but when the planets
> In evil mixture to disorder wander,
> What plagues, and what portents, what mutiny,
> What raging of the sea, shaking of earth,
> Commotion in the wind, frights, changes, horrors,
> Divert and crack, rend and deracinate
> The unity and married calm of states
> Quite from their fixure . . .

Not only does Shakespeare here look to the planets for the hoops of steel; he plainly accepts the heliocentric theory of the universe



(". . . the glorious planet Sol/ In noble eminence enthron'd and spher'd . . ."). Copernicus published his theory, after many misgivings, in 1543, and there was no trouble: indeed, he dedicated *De Revolutionibus* to Pope Paul III, who was happy to accept it. The Copernican thesis was certainly known in England, and so was the confirmatory work of Kepler; it was only in 1616 that the theory was condemned by Rome (though, ironically enough, it had been fiercely denounced from the start by Luther). 1616 was when Shakespeare died (he was, incidentally, born in the same year as Galileo), but by then the Pope's writ had long since ceased to run in England. There seems to be no book about Shakespeare's cosmogony.

The ancients personified the planets, as they did the constellations; some of the loveliest myths of the world relate to the doings of the heavenly bodies. I do not find that at all surprising, but I am always astonished when I meet someone with no interest in the stars, and positively astounded at dullards who claim to feel no emotion when they look up at the night sky; what *can* they be made of? (The dullards, not the stars.)

The poets know better; since poetry began, it has been used to sing the glory of the heavens. Homer salutes Venus, and makes Ulysses steer by the Pleiades, Orion and the Great Bear; indeed, Calypso had warned him to keep the Bear on his left. Those unromantic Americans call the Bear the Big Dipper; well, we know it also as the Plough, but surely a plough is an object more suitable to mythology than a dipper, which is nothing but a tin ladle.

But a new planet! That is enough to stir the imagination of a door-knocker. Nor is the newcomer, it seems, only a grain or two of interstellar dust, like the asteroids (which are, strictly, planets): the Nasa scientists say that it has five times the mass of the Earth. Well, mass is not diameter, and if it is made out of that cosmic stuff of which the experts say that a teaspoonful would weigh uncountable millions of tons, it may prove a disappointment. But I am willing to bet on it: who would have thought that Saturn's rings were braided until Challenger passed by and saw? What would the ancients have given to know that wonderful and haunting fact? Have we no poet today to sing of Saturn's daughter and the beauty of her braided hair? (No, dear, Adrian Mitchell will *not* do.)

Those unromantic Americans are not as unromantic as it seems; just as the new planet swam into their ken, a Mr Jack Borden was propounding the very satisfying theory that star-gazing is good not only for the gazer but for the whole community. I am sure he is right, but he puts it in terms I would hardly dare to use: "How many people who appreciate the beauty of the sky will ever mug a cashier?"

The heavens above us on a cloudless night make us catch our breath not only because of their beauty, but – even more – with the realization that there are more things in heaven and earth then are dreamt of in our philosophy. From wondering how the stars got there, and why, it is only a step to wondering how *we* got *here*, and again why.

But that brings me to the most important point. If there really is a tenth planet, and it is found, what shall we call it? There is a hideous danger that if it is left to Nasa it will be called CTD3194FH22G or, on the other hand, Ronnie.

I have nothing against either scientific precision or the president; but we can – we must – do better. First, we must insist that the new planet is female; seven of the present nine planets are male, and assuming that Earth is genderless, that leaves only Venus to uphold her sex. We can, of course, ransack mythology for an appropriate name, and indeed one springs immediately to mind: Proserpine was the wife of Pluto, and since Pluto is the planet most recently discovered, it might be fitting.

But I think we can be bolder; let us give the new orb a name of our own day. If we decide so to do, there is a name which conjures up beauty and tragedy together, as in all the greatest myths; it is a name which enshrines our age like a time-capsule buried beneath a new building, a name which in a real sense has entered into mythology. Her 36 years described a parabola, as she soared, loved by millions, to goddess-like heights, daring the sun to melt her wings, then plunged as steeply to earth, where there was now only darkness, failure, pain and a wretched death. Come: if there really is a new planet to grace the heavens, let it voyage among the stars to all eternity under the name of Marilyn.

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***however* . . . Henry Stanhope**

Your captive speaking

I shall be sorry if British Airways is allowed to swallow up British Caledonian (the process being no more a "merger" than my occasional brief encounter with a jaffa cake). It has become a little boring to go on about "the lovely wee lassie who looked after us on that flight from Edinburgh" but it is none the less true that B-Cal is among the few airlines that stand out in my memory as being that little bit better than the rest. The American firm United was another, until it became too big, like everyone else. But most others have blurred in the mind.

The RAF provides the most attentive service I have known. But it needs to because most of its flights are "dry". I am not one of those travellers who believe the only way to cross the world in comfort is to sink into an alcoholic haze, but there is something to be said for washing down one's lunch of sodium glutamate with a duty-free glass or two – and when flying the light-blue flag you cannot.

Not only is orange juice the strongest drink available but the RAF insists on continuous in-flight refuelling. There you are, snoozing gently, 30,000ft above the Maldives archipelago or wherever, and you are roused by a gentle shaking of the shoulder – to find yourself staring into the roundels of a charming WRAF stewardess who is ready with your 16th transfusion of Naafi squash.

I am in fact an ideal passenger, and give very little trouble to the crew. Nothing ever worries me about flying – though this is not because I'm courageous or devil-may-care. It's simply that I know nothing at all about it.

The most nervous passengers I know are all ex-pilots, who, on hearing a rattling noise from a starboard engine, will grow pale and stare out anxiously at the wing. For my part I always assume that the flight engineer has dropped his Polo mints out of the window – or the thingumyjig's got caught up in the whatyoucallit. Whatever it is, it has nothing to do with me . . .

I cannot tell one civil aircraft from another. Some are jumbos, some are not – and some have light switches so cleverly concealed that I discover how to work them only when we're landing. Those expensive ads on television are lost on me. The only reason I choose any particular airline is that it has a flight going at the hour I want one and offers a reasonable promise of getting me there on time. There remain parts of the Third World, however, where these conditions cannot easily be met.

I remember once, a number of years ago, flying from Salalah in the south of Oman to Muscat in the north. We were advised to arrive early at the airfield, a precaution which seemed unnecessary at the time since we all had confirmed bookings for the flight. None the less we reached the airstrip just as the first fingers of sun were chasing away the chill of the Arabian dawn. We saw a crowd of people already gathered at the gates, clutching suitcases and flightbags – and tickets no less genuine than our own. Of the aircraft itself there was as yet no sign.

By the time it arrived, shortly after the scheduled time for our departure, the queue had stretched some way behind us – and its components were growing somewhat fretful in the sun. The size of the aircraft, moreover, was clearly inadequate for the number of people who wished to board it.

This did not seem to worry the airport officials. When the gates eventually opened, there was a determined surge forward. As passengers squeezed through with their bulging bags, the officials calmly counted the required number, then slammed shut the gates before the rest of them, as if closing the breach at Rorke's Drift.

It was a system no less accurate than a computer, and one which presumably never broke down. But if Ms Joan Collins were going there I would advise her to take an alarm clock, just in case a similar method is still being used.

Still, at least I remember the flight, along with a crossing of the Swiss Alps at dawn; one with Frontier Airlines in America, along the Rocky Mountains in the snow; and another to Brussels in winter when we overshot several times in a *potage de pois* fog. I remember all those and B-Cal too – with its best girls in the world . . .

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A BOOST FOR RESEARCH

The Prime Minister began her third term with a promise to deal with one of the most visible of Britain's current problems – the decay of its inner cities. Yesterday she put her authority behind a campaign against a less obvious threat to the country's cohesion and prosperity but one which, arguably, is even greater.

As *The Times* has been arguing for many months, Mrs Thatcher has been slow to recognise her responsibilities for Britain's failure – both in the public and private sector – to invest in its long term industrial future. Yesterday's White Paper is the first sign that she is now doing so. The Government's intention to reorganize its contribution to Britain's research and development effort, especially the proposal to establish a new advisory body reporting directly to, and occasionally chaired by, the Prime Minister, should be welcomed. It could mark a major step forward in the revitalization of scientific research in this country.

The provisions outlined in the White Paper fall short of the measures urged by the recent House of Lords' Select Committee report, which called for an expansion in government funded research and development in an effort to improve morale in the scientific community and halt the evident decline in our national scientific base. The scientists have not won their campaign for more cash. But cash was always only one part of the problem. Scientific research had slipped too far down the political agenda. There can be little doubt that the Government has at last begun to put it back where it belongs.

The central theme of the White Paper rightly remains the importance of private sector initatives, governed by commercial decisions that reflect market forces, to improve our national performance in research and development. Government action, it asserts, is only appropriate where there is a failure of the market mechanism.

The White Paper does, however, go a long way in acknowledging the spirit of their Lordships' recommendations. The urgent action they called for is clearly reflected in the Mrs Thatcher's decision to establish a strong committee under her own auspices. It would have been easy to appoint a new junior minister or even to give the job to a junior member of the Cabinet. But the proposed action stands the best chance of promoting the interests of science throughout Whitehall and the wider political world outside.

The main components of this new structure are to be collective ministerial consideration of priorities for science and technology, and an expanded independent advisory body which will comment and advise across the the entire spectrum of scientific endeavour, whether national or international. The Prime Minister's decision to participate personally in this process should serve to highlight the committee's activities. She should take the chair herself as often as possible.

Many will, no doubt, be disappointed that the White Paper shows that the Government is still thinking in terms of redistributing existing resources rather than contemplating any new funds. But it would be premature to dismiss this initiative out of hand because of the Government's reluctance to throw money at every problem that comes its way. Past experience has taught that well financed good intentions rarely deliver the goods.

Of overriding importance is the fact that the Prime Minister has signalled her willingness to reexamine Britain's research and development efforts and is establishing the machinery necessary to do so. In future, this new machinery will mean that discussions on research and development are more tightly focused and the shortcomings of our national effort more evident.

With a much more powerful organization at the centre of government, weaknesses are likely to be identified sooner. If more funds are found to be justified ministers will find out more quickly and be able to react more quickly too.

OUT OF IRAN

For the second time this summer, Britain has found itself embroiled in the revolutionary politics of Iran. The attempt on the life of a prominent Iranian dissident in this country, by person or persons unknown, was an abuse of British tolerance and an infringement of our freedoms. What can be done to prevent such outrages in future?

Two months ago the Government acted with commendable speed and strength after the kidnapping of Mr Edward Chaplin, a senior British diplomat in Tehran. It expelled an Iranian official accused of shoplifting in this country, secured Mr Chaplin's release, then systematically reduced the embassy staff in each capital to one man. This signalled British displeasure over the incident, rid the country of a number of Iranians whose true purpose in this country was questionable – and lowered the risk that British nationals might be seized as innocent hostages in Tehran.

What it could not do was to guarantee the safety of those Iranians living in Britain – many of them refugees from the barbarism of Ayatollah Khomeini's fundamentalist regime. It has long been supposed that the 30,000 or so Iranians in this country, include a significant number of Khomeini's agents – or, at least, young revolutionaries sympathetic to his rule.

The virtual closure of the British embassy in Tehran has cut the issue of British visas there to nil. Iranians can still apply for them at an embassy elsewhere. But the operation has at least been made more arduous. Of the 58,900 Iranians who entered Britain last year, only 30 were accepted on entry as permanent residents. The largest single group (of nearly 27,000) were short-term visitors who were due to return home within a year.

One must wonder, however, how many actually did return home and how many of the 840 students were genuine scholars. Iranian dissidents in Britain insist that a high proportion of the 30,000 here are in fact revolutionary students, some of whom have scanty English – and are over here with little intent to study. Such suspicions may reflect merely the traditional alarmism of political refugees. But last Saturday's attack suggests that this is not the full story.

Moreover, although the issue of visas may have been halted in Tehran, an unknown number of Iranians hold multiple visas, which allow them to come and go here almost at will – for a period of several years. The Government should consider the cancellation of such documents. This would at least ensure that no Iranian enters this country without making a new application – and subjecting himself to fresh scrutiny.

Whitehall should also examine once more the status of the arms procurement office in central London. The 50 to 60 officials who buy weapons in Western Europe from a headquarters in Victoria Street enjoy commercial rather than diplomatic status – and it is hard to believe that the security authorities do not watch their activities closely. But should Britain enter into this kind of trade at all however innocuous the military equipment sold ?

The recent experience of France, once home to Ayatollah Khomeini under the Shah, suggests that there is no reward for past favours in revolutionary Iran. The world is having to live with a despot and his fanatic band with whom it is best to have as little to do as possible. That policy of practical disengagement was recently adopted by the Foreign Office and should now be pursued by the Home Office as well. The weekend's experience suggests no alternative.

EMOTIONS AT THE PITHEAD

The new stirrings in the National Union of Mineworkers have less to to do with work practices or disciplinary procedures than with things altogether more timeless – hurt pride and revenge. The defeat of the miners' strike during the last parliament ended a series of victories which began when the pickets of the then unknown Mr Arthur Scargill closed the Saltley Coke Depot and thus ensured the success of the strike of 1972. In 1985 they were forced back to work with their union split and its funds denuded.

The miners felt humiliated. Some wanted to put the Scargellite past behind them but many others did not. This did not mean that they would once more follow their leader the moment he summoned them to arms again. Nor does it mean that now. Another national coal strike is not going to be easy for anyone to organize. But, the moment they went back to work in 1985, NUM members knew that there was going to be an attempt by the management to assert an authority which, at local level, had almost disappeared between 1972 and 1985, and had been replaced by union authority. The miners – not surprisingly – resented this.

Eventually, the management felt emboldened to introduce a new code of conduct for miners. Much of it is the same as has long been in practice. But it contains a new provision that a miner can be disciplined (including being reprimanded, suspended or sacked) for misbehaviour outside working hours. He can be disciplined even if that misbehaviour does not land him in court, and even if it lands him in court – but he is acquitted.

The management says – implausibly – that this is consistent with practice in other industries. Privately, the managers take the robust position that a miner who gets involved in too many pub brawls, or in tangles with the police, is likely to be a trouble-maker down the pit. And they had enough of trouble-makers down the pit from 1972 to 1985.

Such a managerial attitude has plenty of potential for rough justice. If the provision really meant in practice that men convicted of no offence would lose their jobs as a matter of course such an arbitrary managerial power would be indefensible. A man involved in pub scuffle over, say, the merits of various Yorkshire batsmen is not necessarily a political subversive.

In practice, however, there are industrial tribunals to examine cases of injustice in the workplace. The new code has not aroused the opposition of the secessionist Union of Democratic Mineworkers (UDM). The coal industry's managers, however triumphalist, are still not in the habit of sacking miners for offences committed in the workplace let alone outside it. But it is a good issue for Mr Scargill and the NUM leadership. Understandably, they have called a national ballot on action against the code – though they are careful to talk vaguely of "industrial action", not a strike.

Since then, five miners have been disciplined after going home too early, or going home legitimately after having worked through their break (depending on whose version is correct). The whole Yorkshire coalfield is now incited to rise in their support. Once again, though, the UDM is on hand to warn against this being thought of as the action of men goaded beyond endurance. "Dropping your shovel at the first sign of trouble," says the UDM's Mr Roy Link, "costs people a lot of money. The best thing is to negotiate".

The most frequently image used in the industry to explain all this is that the miners are men who, since 1985, have felt their "manhood" to be threatened. But it must also be remembered that management felt the same about their "manhood" between 1972 and 1985 as they tried in vain to manage men who could boast of having brought down a Conservative Prime Minister and of dictating policy to a Labour one.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Future of British air transport

From Sir Peter Masefield

Sir, As your leading article of July 18 stated so cogently, British air transport – as vital to our national prosperity as was the merchant navy in earlier times – is again at an aeronautical crossroads. Wise, clear and quick decisions are needed.

May I, as now, I believe, the longest serving member of any airline board in the UK (from BEA to British Caledonian), emphasise four points which seem to me to be cardinal to the way ahead?

1. A substantial and widespread route network is an essential to the success of any scheduled airline. The point was made by the Edwards Committee in 1969 when it recommended the setting up of a British "second force" airline with a viable, competitive, route structure. The government of the day cavilled at implementing it in full.

The last chance to establish two strong competitive, British flag-carriers came – and went – with the Civil Aviation Authority's air transport review in 1984, when proposals for a much strengthened route network for British Caledonian were rejected by the Government in the lead-in to the privatisation of British Airways.

2. As a result of deregulation, we have seen an increasing concentration of air services at major hub airports, together with a concentration of large and not-so-large airlines into so-called "mega-carriers". Their need is to secure sufficient financial clout to see off competitors and to meet the increasing costs of new, advanced, and very expensive aircraft fleets and their associated reservation systems which, now, so largely determine market shares.

Hence, smaller carriers everywhere are finding increasing difficulty in operating profitably on trunk air routes and into major hub airports dominated by the mega-carriers. Sad as this is, it follows the historic pattern of transport generally; at sea, by rail and, now, in the air. It is the basis of the coming together of British Caledonian with British Airways.

3. Even so, traffic statistics show that, during 1986, out of 44 million passengers who flew into and out of UK airports on British airlines some 21 million (almost half the total) flew on British airlines other than BA and BCal. So there is a substantial – and expanding – business available to these excellent smaller carriers which specialise in specific shorthaul and charter services, plus one or two other "niches".

4. The combination of BA and BCal will possess the essential requirements for success in the aggressive and fiercely competitive major international airline scene, and to an extent which neither could achieve alone.

Those requirements include: world-wide combined route networks based upon the two major London airports (one is now insufficient for the traffic); aircraft fleets available and on order matched to the best in the world; experienced, professional and well-trained British staff; a reputation and a dedication to good customer service; and sufficient funds for the job.

By contrast, British Caledonian's alternative to such a British combination would have to be to conclude arrangements with a major foreign carrier so as to provide the essential requirements which otherwise would be lacking. Discussions have been held to that end and they could be followed up were the all-British solution to fail.

I am convinced that the prospective coming together of BA and BCal is now the only way to provide the strongest possible British air transport challenge in world markets while retaining a substantial "second tier" market for the smaller, specialist, British airlines.

In all such matters time is of the essence. I trust that there will be no untoward delays in the necessary approvals of the "best of British" (Airways and Caledonian) as the lead element in a prosperous British air transport industry.

Yours faithfully,
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Alliance in close-up

From Dr Patrick Cosgrave

Sir, There are a number of fallacies in Mr R. W. Johnson's insouciantly hypothetical argument (feature, July 7). I will confine myself to the main one.

Mr Johnson assumes as the basis of his arithmetic the Alliance percentage figure at the last general election. This is a dangerous figure to grab at so confidently, given MORI's evidence (in *The Sunday Times* of July 5) of a truly catastrophic drop in support for both parties following their post-election shenanigans.

He assumes, further, that by a mere cosmetic trick (dubbing a merged party "Liberal Democratic") Mr Steel could retain the support of all those who voted SDP on June 11 last.

Even presuming an overwhelming vote from SDP members for merger there will certainly be an Owenite rump. Again, we know that there were some worried and disaffected Tories who voted Alliance. They will certainly not follow Mr Steel, first in a new party and then into a further alliance with Labour, however much Mr Kinnock may change his party's image.

But, most importantly, the SDP, following its foundation, drew into its ranks many who had never before taken an interest in politics, and the acquisition of these voters was the SDP's chief boast in its early days. They thought they were joining, not a new party simply, but a new *kind* of party. They, more than any other group, will be disgusted by the current and (as predicted by Mr Johnson) future goings on.

And I have not even touched on the typically arrogant (and ignorant) academic hubris with which Mr Johnson approaches Labour's future.

Yours sincerely,
PATRICK COSGRAVE,
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Phone data on tap

From Mr C. Philip

Sir, From time to time concern is expressed about telephone tapping. What is not perhaps realised is, that with the increasing installation of electronic exchanges and the move towards the detailed billing of telephone calls, facilities will exist to record automatically the time and duration of every call made in the UK, together with the number of both the originator and the recipient.

When questioned about this British Telecom confirmed that full data concerning all calls is recorded but added, significantly, that "once the call has been established successfully there is no longer any *need, in many cases, (my italics) for the full data to be* retained".

Yours faithfully,
C. PHILIP,
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Whitbourne, Worcestershire.
July 7.

Rural blight

From Mr Derek Smith

Sir, Mr R. S. Allcock asks (July 1) who now will provide training in rural areas for young people who are under-achievers from deprived or inadequate backgrounds.

Part of the answer will come from farmers who are prepared to let redundant farm buildings at modest rents and so provide employment opportunities in spite of the several risks. However, their principal obstacles are the difficulties, delays and expense in obtaining planning consent.

Too often the planners' approach mirrors the public conception of the countryside as a place where any change is undesirable, where all industry should be translated to urban surroundings.

Little wonder that the environs of our country towns are becoming steadily disfigured by slummy industrial estates which provide premises only at rents too high for infant enterprises, many of which could be fitted unobtrusively into old farm buildings.

Yours faithfully,
DEREK SMITH,
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Halstock,
Yeovil, Somerset.
July 2.

Respect for Scotland

From Lord Polwarth

Sir, Enoch Powell (feature, July 8) has got it right about the Conservative Party's electoral disaster in Scotland. Devolution, whatever its various proponents mean by it, was not a major issue. Reform of the rating system, uncertainty on the effects of which was exploited to the full by Opposition candidates, certainly cost the party votes.

But much less was it a question of issues than of attitudes, and above all a perceived lack of "empathy" on the part of our rulers, as Enoch Powell so well puts it: a failure to convince us that they understand and take account of an admittedly sometimes idiosyncratic character, institutions and way of life.

Whatever her continuing problems, Scotland has benefited greatly from the Government's policies and in turn is contributing strongly to the United Kingdom's economic recovery. Now we must cultivate a little more mutual understanding between our southern partners and ourselves.

Yours faithfully,
POLWARTH.
Harden,
Hawick, Roxburghshire.

Finding the will

From Mr J. F. W. Passmore

Sir, Ms Skinner (July 15) has put forward an interesting plan for locating missing wills but, like many previous suggestions, hers would safeguard the vast majority of wills which need no protection and fail to catch the minute proportion which go astray.

After nearly 40 years' practice in the law I can only recall three very troublesome cases of mislaid wills. In the first it had to be assumed eventually that the testator had destroyed it; in the second the testatrix had hidden it in a photograph album and in the third, after many weeks of anguish, the will was found in the testatrix's underwear drawer.

I suggest that none of those wills would have been traced by any system of deposit of copies or central registration.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN F. W. PASSMORE,
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Groombridge,
Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Obtaining data on Aids infection

From Professor M. J. R. Healy

Sir, Following the BMA vote (report, July 3), it is very important to distinguish between the several possible methods of providing information on infection with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) which is the cause of Aids. There are three main proposals:

1. Using blood samples specifically taken for HIV testing at the subject's request.
2. Using samples taken for HIV testing without requiring the subject's consent.
3. Using portions of samples already taken for other purposes. This can be done in such a way that the subject can be told the results (presumably following consent), or so that the result cannot in any way be linked to the subject ("anonymised testing", with or without consent).

The first method is available now through GPs, hospitals and special clinics. The second is that advocated by the BMA meeting, mainly to ensure the safety of medical and nursing staff.

The general availability of the first method is important provided that its limitations are appreciated, notably the "silent period" following initial infection when a negative test result is still obtained.

With this assumed, I and many of my colleagues find it hard to see any way of obtaining adequate data on the epidemic and its control without the third method in its anonymised form. I for one do not find compelling the ethical and legal objections to it which have been raised; it is necessary, too, to bear in mind the ethical implications of failing to secure the information needed to plan the caring and preventive measures called for by this lethal disease.

Yours faithfully,
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Pregnancy decisions

From Mrs Annabel Kanabus

Sir, Some obstetricians are discussing termination of pregnancy with women who are infected with the Aids virus. HIV (report, July 14). On what basis is termination being suggested? Is it for the health of the woman or her unborn child?

Early reports from the USA suggested that pregnancy could cause Aids to develop more quickly in an infected woman, but recent research at the infectious diseases unit of the City Hospital, Edinburgh, indicates that this may not after all be the case.

The situation with the child is equally unclear. Some children may indeed be born infected and may tragically become ill and die: others may be born uninfected, whilst a third group may inherit antibodies from their mothers, but these antibodies may disappear by the time the child is two years old.

Women who are both pregnant and HIV-positive are a very vulnerable group. It is essential that they are given every opportunity to consider all the facts, in order to reach what is for that individual the correct decision. Looking after infected children is going to make heavy demands on society in general and the health service in particular, but the decision of a woman not to terminate should be considered as valid a decision as the opposite course of action.

Yours sincerely,
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Protecting children

From Mr C. J. Acred

Sir, Max Findlay (July 10) wrote of magistrates "rubber-stamping" applications by "professionals" for place-of-safety orders.

Most justices' clerks recognise the difficulties implicit in such applications and, in the public interest, have made arrangements to minimise the risk of such orders being made in inappropriate circumstances. In many court areas such applications are referred only to experienced members of the juvenile court panel and arrangements are made for such magistrates to have the advice of a legally qualified clerk available, no matter what time of day.

Furthermore, advice is usually given to make the place-of-safety order not for 28 days but for the shortest practicable period in order to give the parents an early opportunity to make representations to a full court.

The place-of-safety order is a razor edge upon which the magistrate has to try to balance the need to protect the child at risk on the one hand and the legitimate rights of parents on the other. Even in cases of actual sexual abuse it does not follow that either of the parents was the abuser.

Yours faithfully,
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July 10.

Organic boots?

From Dr Henry Osmaston

Sir, When I was at school with Philip Howard ecology was the scientific study of organisms in relation to their environment. Now sadly it is little more than a value-laden umbrella sheltering anything that any particular author thinks is "good" for his environment.

Nevertheless I am mystified, Sir, by your advertisement (July 11) for "*The Times* Waterproof Walking Boots", which describes them as having a "Vibram ecological sole". Is this something to do with the exhortation sometimes seen in national parks: "Leave nothing but your footprints", or with the old proverb that "the farmer's boot is the best manure"?

Having just ordered a pair to go walking in Tibet I trust that it does not mean that they will autobiodegrade while in use. I prefer to think that it is a misprint for "vibrant ecological soul", which will wing me effortlessly over the hills and far away.

I am, Sir, yours truly,
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ON THIS DAY

JULY 21 1920

The opinion of a gathering of international surgeons after the First World War, when heart surgery was in its infancy, that the organ was "by no means so fragile as has been supposed", was endorsed in December, 1967, when the first human heart transplant was carried out in Cape Town by Professor Christiaan Barnard

SURGERY OF THE HEART.
WONDERFUL OPERATIONS DESCRIBED.

(From Our Medical Correspondent.)
PARIS, July 20.

The lecture theatre of the School of Medicine was crowded this afternoon in every part by distinguished men of all nations, to hear the discussion on surgery of the heart and great blood-vessels, which was opened by that very distinguished surgeon, Dr. Tuffier, of Paris.

The subject possesses all the thrill of a new branch of healing, and in addition is an appeal to the imagination, which operative measures, hitherto deemed impossible, are bound to exercise. When Professor Tuffier began his lecture there was a sense of excitement which is quite unusual in such assemblies. This was renewed when, by means of his diagram of a section of the heart, he showed that areas in which wounds and injuries always or nearly always are considered mortal are areas in which they afford a chance to the modern surgeon to show his powers.

The heart, as is well known, possesses a number of valves to prevent regurgitation of the blood, and contains also a strand of tissue, the so-called "bundle of His," which transmits the impulse of the beat from one part to another of the organ. These are very dangerous areas. On the other hand, the muscular walls of the organ may be repaired with complete success. Dr. Tuffier had a series of 305 cases of heart injuries. Of these 151 were cured and 149 died. In five cases the results were unknown. This gives a mortality of 49.66 per cent, an achievement which can only be regarded as remarkable.

Reference was also made to massage of the heart: this is carried out by making a wound just under the ribs. The hand is then passed in and grasps the organ from below . . .

Dr. Sencert, of Strasbourg, who followed Dr. Tuffier, declared that wounds of the blood-vessels should at once be operated upon. The old method of simply ligaturing an injured vessel was bad and led to poor results. "The surgical treatment of the remote consequences of arterial wounds," he said, "is reparative surgery."

The same note of great courage characterized the address of Professor Alessandri, of Rome, who recalled the fact that the first case of successful surgical interference in the region of the heart occurred at Rome as far back as 1891, though this was an operation on the chamber in which the heart lies and not on the heart itself. The method of massage was dwelt upon as an important adjunct to the surgical work on the heart; the surgeon possesses means of stimulating the organ should it flag. The American School was represented by Dr. Goodman, of New York, who declared that the most notable innovations in blood-vessel surgery during the war were Tuffier's "arterial incubation" and Leriche's theory of "stupeur arteriel."

The debate was carried on by surgeons from all over the world – Bukarest, Nice, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Belgrade, Rotterdam, Marseilles, and other places. One gathered the opinion that while surgery of the heart is as yet in its infancy a future opens before it that may be greater than is at present realized. This organ, indeed, is by no means so fragile as has been supposed and yields itself readily enough to the care and technique of a good surgeon.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 20: The Duke of Edinburgh, President, this evening visited the Portrait Gallery of the National Galleries of Scotland and toured the Mary *Queen of Scots Exhibition.*

His Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the Patrons of the National Gal*leries of Scotland (the Viscount* Weir).

The Duke of Edinburgh, Chancellor, Edinburgh University, subsequently attended a Reception and Dinner to mark the retirement of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University (Sir John Burnett) at the Old Senate Room, Edinburgh University.

His Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-*Lieutenant for the City of* Edinburgh (Dr John McKay, the Right Hon the Lord Provost) and Sir John Burnett.

The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Major Rowan Jackson, RM, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Princess Royal, Colonel-in-*Chief, 14th/20th King's Hus*sars, left Royal Air Force Lyneham this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight to visit B Squadron in Berlin.

Mrs Charles Ritchie and Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs *were in attendance.*

The Queen was represented by *the Lord Somerleyton (Lord in* Waiting) at the Memorial Service for Sir David Roberts (formerly Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Beirut) which was held in St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, SW1 today.

The Princess Royal was represented by the Countess of Lichfield.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 20: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a preview *of 'Follies' at the Shaftesbury* Theatre, in aid of the Invalid Children's Aid Association, of which Her Royal Highness is President, and the Royal Society for Mentally Handicapped Children and Adults.

The Hon Mrs Whitehead was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 20: The Duke of Gloucester, as President, this afternoon presided at a Court of Governors of *Christ's Hospital at the* Office of the Foundation, 26 *Great Tower Street, EC3.*

Lt Col Sir Simon Bland was in *attendance.*

In the evening His Royal Highness, accompanied by The Duchess of Gloucester, took the Salute at a performance of The Royal Tournament at Earls Court.

Lt Col Sir Simon *Bland* and Miss Jennifer Thomson were in *attendance.*

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND PARK
July 20: Princess Alexandra, Patron, this evening opened the Second International Symposium on the History of Anaesthesia at the Royal College of Surgeons of England, Lincoln's Inn Fields, and afterwards attended a Reception at Lincoln's Inn.

Lady Mary Mumford was in attendance.

The infant son of the Hon *Richard and Mrs King* was christened John-Erich by the Rev J. Backhouse, at St Michael's and All Angels, Wartnaby, Leicestershire, yesterday. The godparents are The Hon Philip King, Mr Rene Lauzon, Lady King of Wartnaby and Mrs Lloyd Lauzon.

National Association of Youth Clubs

The Hon Angus Ogilvy was present at a private viewing of the Summer Exhibition, or*ganized by the Friends of the* National Association of Youth Clubs, held last night at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Bridge

The final between the North and South winners of the English Bridge Union's annual Spring Foursomes sponsored by the Woolwich Building Society took place over 48 boards at the Young Chelsea Club, London, on Saturday. At half time the scores were close with the South leading by five points but the second half was a landslide to the South who were fifty up after 40 boards eventually winning by 37 imps.

North: J. Armstrong, G.T. Kirby, Mrs S. Landy, Mrs S. Horton, R.S. Brock.
South: R.J. Rowlands, D.A. Carlisle, R. Sampson, N. Selway.

Carmen's Company

The following have been elected officers of the Carmen's Company for the ensuing year, to take office from October 23, 1987:
Master, Alderman Sir Christopher Leaver; Senior Warden, Major D R Baker; Junior Warden, Mr G A Long.

Vintners' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Vintners' Company for the ensuing year:
Master, Mr M H Fairbank; Upper Warden, Mr C I A Matheson; Renter Warden, Mr G L Gordon Clark; Swan Warden, Mr M J Langton.

Mr Vernon Dobtcheff regrets he was unavoidably prevented by a commitment abroad, from attending the funeral of Mrs Patience Collier yesterday.

Reception

HM Government
Mr Robert Atkins, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Industry, was host at a reception held yesterday at Lancaster House on the occasion of the *sixth international and second* European conference on composite materials.

Dinners

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister was host at *a dinner held last night at 10* Downing Street in honour of the Prime Minister of Malaysia and Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah. The other guests were:

Dato' S Samy Vellu, Dato' Lim Keng Yaik, Datin Paduka Rafidah Aziz, Dato' Abu Hassan Hali Omar, Ambassador Tan Sri Zainal Abidin Sulong, the High Commissioner for Malaysia and Datin Rahmah Jamaluddin, the Hon George Younger, MP, Lord and Lady Young of Graffham, Mr John Major, MP, and Mrs Major, Lord Glenarthur, Mr Peter Bottomley, MP, *and Mrs Virginia Bottomley, MP*, Lord Denman, Lord and Lady Weinstock, Lord and Lady Richardson of Duntisbourne, Sir Peter Blaker, MP, and Lady Blaker, Mr Leon Brittan, QC, MP, and Mrs Brittan, Sir Francis and Lady Tombs, Sir James and Lady Glenamson, Sir Eric and Lady Sharp, Mr and Mrs Gavin Laird, Mr and Mrs Adrian White, Mr and Mrs Peter Cazalet, Mr and Mrs A S Walsh, Mr and Mrs Conrad Black, Professor and Mrs Magdi Yacoub, Professor and Mrs G R Hall, Dr and Mrs Graham Hills, Mr and Mrs Derek Nimmo, Mr *Michael Colarin Toash*, Mrs Olga Polizzi, Mr Michael Morris, MP, and Mrs Morris, Mr and Mrs R M Davidson, Mr and Mrs J N T Spreckley, Mr and Mrs David Gillmore, the Hon Archibald Hamilton, MP, and Mrs Hamilton and Mr Charles Powell

Edinburgh University
The Duke of Edinburgh, Chancellor of Edinburgh University, presided at a dinner held yesterday at the university to mark the retirement of the principal, *Sir John Burnett. Lord Cameron* also spoke. Among others *present were:*

Lady Burnett, the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, the Archbishop of St Andrews and Edinburgh, Lord Cameron of Lochbroom, Mr David Steel, MP, and Mr Archie Macpherson.

Douai Society
Mr Leopold Antelme presided at *the annual dinner of the* Douai Society held at Douai School on Saturday, July 18, 1987. The principal guest was Lord Harvington.

Company of Watermen and Lightermen

The following have been elected officers of the Company of *Watermen and Lightermen* of the River Thames for the ensuing year:
Master, Mr R G Crouch; Senior Warden, Mr M J Turk; Junior Wardens, Mr J G Adams, Mr H G Mack and Mr J G P Crowden.

Science report

Catching atoms with a laser

By Adrienne Bridges

A method of capturing and suspending individual atoms in space, allowing them to be seen with the naked eye, has been built by scientists at Imperial College, in London.

They are among a number of international laboratories who have designed an atom trap for experiments in a field which is generating great excitement in physics research.

The invention of Dr Peter Knight and Dr Richard Thompson, a physicist on secondment from the National Physical Laboratory, opens tremendous possibilities for physicists and chemists of atomic clocks of unprecedented accuracy, ultra-high resolution spectroscopy, intimate studies of the kinetics of atomic interactions and testing of some of the theory of unusual quantum phenomena.

Until recently it was thought impossible to isolate atoms, let alone hold one of them still. "As they are 100 millionth the size of a pinhead and, isolated, may travel at almost the speed of light", Dr Knight says, scientists had to make do with observing groups of atoms through high powered electron microscopes.

The technique devised by Drs Knight and Thompson uses barium and sodium . Other groups are working with hydrogen and caesium. All arebuilding a trap in which some combination of a laser beam and a magnetic field can be made to confine atoms in an almost motionless state.

At Imperial College the scientists have built a trap smaller than a match-box, in the form of a charged chamber about 1 cm across into which the atoms, or charged ions, are pumped at low densities. The barium atoms were in the form of charged ions and the sodium atoms were in their normal neutral state.

The method of slowing the atoms down is known as laser cooling. The principle is that an atom is slowed down by the momentum imparted to it when it absorbs a large number of photons from a laser shining in the opposite direction .

Both the barium and sodium are injected into the chamber as a gas. When the charged barium ions enter they travel in a spiral path regulated by the charge on the chamber, but they are slowed each time they pass through a laser beam that cuts across the spiral.

With sodium atoms, an arrangement of size interlocking laser beams trap the element. Once the atoms are stopped, they are held in the trap by changing the charge and temperature in the chamber.
When an atom is held stationary by the laser, it absorbs radiation from the laser, which "excites" it into a higher energy state. But only for 100 millionths of a second.

In turn, the atom gives off a photon in a random direction, and when this event happens millions of times a second and each time it earns itself the name "atomic lighthouse."

The overall effect to the naked eye is a tiny source of continuous fluorescent.

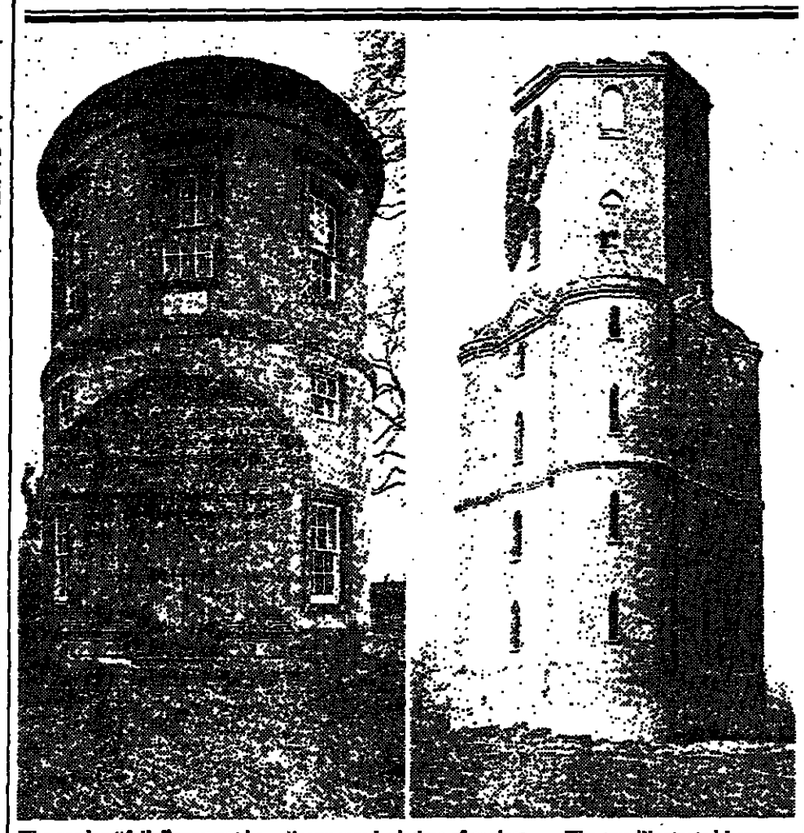
This is all carried out at almost the lowest pressure, the lowest temperature and the highest charges achieved artificially on earth.

Dr Knight's main aim in using this tricky technique is to develop a more precise atomic clock, our fundamental time standard, to replace the current caesium atomic clock developed in the 1940s.

The atomic lighthouse also allows theorists to test a number of fundamental laws of quantum mechanics — some of which, Knight says, may not be holding up to the test.

Physical chemists too, will now be able to observe for the first time interaction between precise numbers and types of atom. When *several dozens are trapped in the charge of the* chamber they form regular, crystal-like geo*metric arrays.*

Similar arrays can be seen with the naked eye if dust particles are used instead. "When you cool the dust you suddenly get this fantastic star-like order, suspended in space," says Knight.



The garden "folly" may not be uniquely British — its origins go back at least as far as the pleasure gardens of ancient Greece and Rome — but never and nowhere did it arouse more dedicated enthusiasm than among our 18th Century forebears (John Young writes).

No one has ever made a count of the number of grottoes, temples, menageries, bath houses, boat houses, tea houses, belvederes and gazebos that once graced the grounds of town houses and country estates.

Thousands have long since disappeared, victims of neglect and decay, flattened by the bulldozer and the tractor or, in this peculiarly barbarian age, destroyed by wanton vandalism.

But a new report by the conservation group, Save Britain's Heritage, estimates that there may still be as many as 10,000 survivals, a greater concentration than anywhere else in the world. They range from *the inconsequential to* the works of pre-eminent architects like William Kent, Lord Burlington, James Paine, "Capability" Brown and James Wyatt.

The two illustrated here are (left) Craigiehall Temple, Cramond Bridge, Edinburgh, and Sturt's Folly, Horton, Wimborne, Dorset. The former was built in 1759 by Charles Hope-Weir, after returning from a visit to Italy.

Sturt's Folly, thought to be the work of Thomas Archer, stands 140 feet high and was described by the late Sir Nikolaus Pevsner as "mega-*lomaniac."*

***Pavilions in Peril*, Julia Abel Smith; Save Britain's Heritage, 69 Battersea High Street, London SW11; £5.00.**

Appointments

Mr Justice MacDermott to be a Lord Justice of Appeal in Northern Ireland in place of the late *Lord Justice Gibson.*

Mr William Paschal McCollum to be a Judge of the High Court in Northern Ireland.

Church news

Church in Wales
Diocese of Monmouth
Appointments
The Rev David Nicholson, Assistant Curate of Ebbw Vale, to be Vicar of St Stephen with Holy Trinity, Newport.
The Rev Robert Melville Capper, to be Vicar of Malpas.
The Rev Gregory Kenneth *Cameron*, Assistant Curate in the Rectorial Benefice of Llanmartin, to be Vicar in the Benefice.
The Rev Peter Charles Titcombe, Assistant Curate in the Rectorial Benefice of Cwmbran, to be Vicar in the Benefice.
The Rev Gerald Leach, Assistant Curate in the Rectorial Benefice of Cyncoed, to be Vicar of the Dingestow Group.
The Rev David Jones, Curate-in-Charge of Ynysddu, to be Vicar in the parish.
The Rev David Neale, Chaplain of St Woolos Catherdral, to be Vicar of Blaina and Nantyglo.
Retirements
The Rev Morgan Lewis Clement, Vicar of St Mary, Abergavenny, (June 30).
The Rev Frank William Begley, Rector of Llanwenarth Citra, (September 30).
The Rev William David Llewellyn, Vicar of St Mellons, (September 30).

Marriages

Mr J. Kempner
and Miss J. McNaughtan
The marriage took place on *Tuesday, July 14, in London*, of Mr John Kempner, son of Mr and Mrs David Kempner, of Hampstead, and Miss Jilly McNaughtan, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Donald McNaughtan.

A reception was held at Stanley House and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr J.J.D. Marsh
and Miss E.K. Berry Green
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 11, at St Lawrence, Ecchinswell, of Mr Jeremy John Drysdale Marsh, only son of Mr and Mrs Edward Marsh, of Lymington, and Miss Emma Katherine Berry Green, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Berry Green, of Ecchinswell, Newbury. The Rev Humphrey Llewelyn officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Miss Lara de Wolff, Iona and Geordie d'Anyers Willis, James Napier and Oliver Holcroft. Mr Charles Garland was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R. de Planta de Wildenberg
and Miss D.A. Lane
The engagement is announced between Richard, eldest son of Lieutenant-Colonel Count and Countess de Planta de Wildenberg, of Rome, Italy, and Deborah Anne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Lane, of Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Mr P.J. Lees-Millais
and Miss F.A. Joicey
The engagement is announced between Patrick, youngest son of Mr and Mrs John Lees-Millais, of Rockley Manor, Marlborough, Wiltshire, and Fiona, youngest daughter of the late Major John Joicey and Mrs Joicey, of Blenkinsopp Hall, Haltwhistle, Northumberland.

Mr R.C.C. Saville
and Miss S. Pinnington
The engagement is announced between Richard, younger son of Mr and Mrs Cyril Saville, of Brookmans Park, Hertfordshire, and Susan, only daughter of Mr William Pinnington and the late Mrs Pinnington, of Birkenhead, Cheshire.

Mr M.A. Soames
and Miss V.A. Baverta
The engagement is announced between Martin, only son of Mr and Mrs R.S. Soames, of Emsworth, Hampshire, and Velia, only daughter of Dr and Mrs F. Baverta, of Enfield, Middlesex.

OBITUARY

MR MAURICE GREEN

An editor of the old school

Mr Maurice Green, assistant editor of *The Times* from 1953-61 and editor of the *Daily Telegraph* from 1964-74, died on July 19. He was 80.

He brought impressive intellectual qualities to the world of national newspapers. One of his achievements as an editor was to confront Conservative politicians in the 1960s with what he saw as the economic facts of life. Thus he played an important part in the evolution of Tory policy which led to the election of Mrs Thatcher as leader.

James Maurice Spurgeon Green was born on December 8, 1906, and educated at Rugby and University College, Oxford, where he gained Firsts in Mods and Greats.

His newspaper career started in financial journalism and at the age of 28 he was editor of the *Financial News*. Not least of the marks he left on the pre-war City was in helping to devise what became the Financial Times Share Index.

After four years in charge of the *Financial News* he became Financial and Industrial Editor of *The Times* - in its most spacious days.

He recalled that he got off to a bad start on his first day by arguing with the Editor, Geoffrey Dawson, on foreign policy; then, when he remarked casually to another very senior colleague that "it's a mad world," he was told severely: "Young man, you have yet to learn that the world has always been mad, except for a very brief, lucid interval during the reign of Queen Victoria."

But Green's strength as a *Times* man, which was seen to lie in judgment rather than drive, was soon recognised. He surveyed the world of affairs with a certain detachment, always deeply concerned but never fully engaged. For much of his life he was more interested in economics than in politics. He saw economics as the play of forces; politics as the play of character.

His career was interrupted by war service with the Royal Artillery, when he earned an MBE. Returning to *The Times*, he coped admirably with the vagaries of a succession of post-war Chancellors and other Ministers, writing lucidly even when he could not discern any light.

He was never a City editor in the narrow sense. He knew that economic problems were largely social problems. It was fitting that in 1953 he moved into the mainstream of the newspaper as assistant editor in charge of home affairs; he was also given responsibility for recruiting all editorial staff, and so had enormous influence for several years on the character of *The Times*, and that of other papers too.

As a writer, Green was logical and exact. He would cut his work to size by ruthlessly eliminating every unnecessary word. The result was an austere and unsensational style which signed his articles even when they were anonymous.

He never started to write until he had fully thought out what he was going to say. This could be disconcerting for subeditors waiting for his copy. He was a late starter in putting pen to paper; he was never late in delivery.

A similarly disconcerting trait was that when he was asked a question there might be a long pause; but the answer was worth waiting for.

It was a pleasure, a colleague once said, just to watch him thinking. It would be a mistake, however, to imagine that his life was totally that of a dry-as-dust ascetic. He was thoroughly human, with a lively appreciation of good conversation and pretty women.

In 1961 Green moved to the *Telegraph* as deputy editor. The way to the Editor's chair of *The Times* seemed to be blocked, but he left amid goodwill.

Three years later he became editor of the *Telegraph*, where he emerged not just as an intellectual force but as a figure of immense natural authority, earning the respect as well as the affection of his subordinates.

He attracted to his columns some of the most persuasive advocates of the market economy. Some of the opinions he encouraged seemed at the time heretical but were to become the new political orthodoxy a decade later. Using the logic of free market economics he kept the paper firmly behind entry to the European Community, a cause that sometimes needed all his skill in argument.

Green was among those who advised Mrs Thatcher to stand for the Tory leadership when she seemed to have only an outside chance. Yet he never appeared an ideologue: he was in essence a liberal-conservative.

His editorial policy was marked by civilised, humane ideals. Indeed, it was under his editorship that the famous "Telegraph formula" - an undeniably "quality" paper which would nevertheless achieve a large and stable circulation - was strikingly achieved.

In his private life Green was a discriminating admirer of the highest standards in music, literature, painting and notably ceramics - and food and wine as well. He was also a lover of field sport, skilled with gun and rod.

He retired in 1974. His later writing was largely on financial topics. From 1976-77 he was president of the Institute of Journalists.

He married twice. His first wife Pearl, an American, died in 1934. He is survived by his second wife Janet, an accomplished painter and a charming hostess, and their two sons.

DR PETER WHITTINGHAM

Dr Peter Whittingham, OBE, FRAeS, an authority on space medicine, died on July 17, at the age of 63.

He was born on September 13, 1923, and educated at the Royal Grammar School Newcastle-upon-Tyne. After qualifying in medicine at Durham University in 1947, he entered the RAF Medical Services in 1948, and served for the next thirty years, retiring as a Group Captain.

During this time he became an international authority on survival medicine, and his contributions in the fields of aviation, survival and aerospace medicine culminated in his appointment as flight surgeon on the joint US/USSR Apollo-Soyuz manned space flight project in 1975. From 1976 to 1978 he was a consultant to the European Space Agency.

He was a member of the Association of Space Flight Surgeons and of the International Academy of Aviation and Space Medicine.

His unique knowledge and personal experience of survival in hostile environments, which included subjecting himself to many of the adverse conditions he was studying, led many adventurers to seek his advice. These included lone and paired rowers of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, a team climbing Mount Everest, a solo round-the-world flier, and those intending journeys in either very cold or desert areas.

Whittingham was a gifted teacher, lecturing at one time or another to this country's armed forces; the US Air Force; the Commonwealth Committee on Defence; Nato and many other audiences throughout the world.

In 1974 he gave the MacRobert lectures at the Royal Institution, a series of scientific presentations for young people.

Whittingham was a man of varied talents who could have chosen a number of different professions. In his student days he played hockey for co Durham and was also was a regular radio and newspaper correspondent on sporting matters. He edited his university journal and wrote many musical shows whilst at college.

He was an outstanding pianist, songwriter and composer, and it is regretted by all those who enjoyed his special style of entertaining, both at his home and in the many parts of the world that he visited, that the constraints of his medical work prevented his music reaching a much wider audience.

His gift for music, his instinctive generosity, his hospitality and his unbounded love of his family combined to produce a rare individual.

He is survived by his wife, Dr Anne Whittingham, two sons and a daughter.

MR JOHN HAVINDEN

John Havinden, an innovative photographer on the London scene, during the years between the wars, died on July 15, at the age of 79.

Much of his early life was spent abroad, in France and, from 1925, in Australia, where he worked in a photographer's studio.

In 1929, he returned to London which had become an important and lucrative centre for the new experimental photography. He became assistant to the American photographer, Francis Feist, at the W. H. Hoedt studios. Feist's modernist ideas were of immense importance to Havinden's future career.

Hoedt closed in 1930, and with the support of the flamboyant portraitist, Madame Yevond, Havinden established Greiton Photographs.

During the 1930s, much of his most original photography was produced for the Crawford Agency, of which his brother, the designer Ashley Havinden, was a director.

He worked on publicity campaigns by Standard Cars, producing dreamlike compositions of automobiles emerging from cloudscapes, and for HMV, stretching a line of gramophones seemingly to infinity.

In 1933, he visited Monte Carlo on behalf of the Société des Bains de Mer, to record the resort out of season. His pictures of the rich at play were memorable in their acuteness and simplicity.

Like many other British photographers of that time Havinden withdrew from the field at the beginning of the Second World War. Wartime regulations severely restricted the supply of paper and chemicals, and his clients all but disappeared. With his wife Cherry, he established an antiques business in Lechlade, which he continued until his retirement in the late 1970s.

After over thirty years of obscurity, John Havinden's photographs were exhibited again in the Arts Council's *Modern British Photography* exhibition, at the Museum of Modern Art in Oxford, in 1980.

Since that time interest in his work done during the 1930s has grown, and his photographs have been purchased by the Victoria and Albert Museum and the National Portrait Gallery, as well as in the United States.

MR ALAN FAIRLEY

Mr Alan Fairley, a successful show-business entrepreneur in the days long before television transformed the world of live entertainment, who went on to become joint chairman of Mecca Ltd, died on July 19.

For three years until 1973 he was on the board of Grand Metropolitan Hotels, with which Mecca merged in 1970.

Alan Brand Fairley was born into a family who were in the catering trade in Edinburgh, where he was educated at George Watson's College. In the jazz days of the 1920s he saw the demand for more sophisticated amusements and opened a new kind of Edinburgh dance hall with cabaret turns, and then the Piccadilly Club in Glasgow.

In 1936, by which time he controlled a number of Scottish dance halls, he teamed up with Carl Heimann, who had similar interests in the south. After the war, during which he served in the Catering Corps, they took over Mecca.

Meanwhile he had acquired the lease of the Café de Paris in London and after the war brought the biggest names in entertainment to perform there.

Mecca expanded into one of the largest empires of its kind, and Fairley boasted that he made his mark on its every outpost, supervising the design of dance halls "down to the last door-knob." Although famous for its spectacular enterprises like the "Miss World" contest, the group was basically a very successful catering organisation.

Fairley is survived by his wife Roma and a daughter.

LADY STRAUSS

Lady Strauss, wife of Lord Strauss, the veteran Labour Peer and former Father of the House of Commons, died on July 16. She was 77.

Patricia Strauss was active in local politics, as a member of the London County Council, and was a zealous supporter of the arts, through her membership of the boards of governors of many major theatres and other institutions.

Patricia Frances O'Flynn was born on October 21, 1909. She married George Strauss, in 1932, at a time when he was briefly out of Parliament, having lost his Lambeth North seat the year before.

She threw herself wholeheartedly into supporting his political activities and he returned to Parliament in 1934. During the war she made her own contribution to the literature of the Labour movement with her books *Bevin and Co* and *Cripps, Advocate and Rebel*, an intimate biography, and was also a war correspondent with the *New York Herald Tribune*.

In the General Election of 1945 she stood as Labour candidate in South Kensington. Even in times of Labour landslide she could hardly be expected to unseat the veteran Conservative incumbent in such a constituency, and trailed by 16,000 votes.

She turned to local politics and in 1946 was elected to the LCC for Vauxhall. For the next 12 years she played a vigorous role in the council's affairs, and was chairman of the Parks Committee from 1947 to 1949.

In the meantime she had become very active in the arts world, and at various times she was a governor of the Old Vic, Sadler's Wells Theatre, The Royal Ballet, Sadler's Wells Opera, Ballet Rambert and St Martin's School of Art, among many other institutions.

There were two sons and a daughter of her marriage.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
Psalm 29 : 2

BIRTHS

ADLER - On July 16th, to Bridget and Peter, a son, Edward Thomas.

BASSETT - *On July 17th 1987, to* Jennifer (née Wolf) and Edward, a son, Alistair Christian, a brother for Edward James.

BELLHOUSE - On July 16th, to Lilian and David, a daughter, Georgina Lucy, a sister for Geoffrey.

BRIDGELAND - On July 19th, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Julia (nee Wheeler) and Jonathan, a gift of a daughter, Abigail Philippa. Special thanks to all at Guy's and Queen Charlotte's.

HAMWAY - On July 8th, to Griselda (née Heppel) and Nigel, a son, John Richard, a brother for Rebecca and Léonie.

HENDERSON - On July 19th 1987, to Virginia (née Freeman) and Ian, a brother to Alexander and Charlie.

ILLINGWORTH - On July 15th, at Queen Charlotte's W6, to Caroline (née Peak) and Michael, a son.

LOVETT - On July 18th 1987, at the Portland Hospital, to Jane (née Harrington) and John, a daughter, Florence.

McKEARNEY - On July 18th, to Miranda and Roger, a daughter, Rosie.

NICHOLS - On July 16th, to Judith and Charlie, a daughter, Sophie Alexandra.

PAGET-STEAVENSON - On July 16th 1987, to Deena and Rupert, a son.

RAMSBOTHAM - On July 18th, in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, to Carolyn (née Fenwick) and James, a daughter, Charlotte Louise Eirian.

SOUTHALL - On July 14th, to Caroline (née Drew) and Ian, a daughter, Lucinda Jane.

STEAD - On July 16th 1987, to Sarah (née West) and Simon, a son.

SYMONS - On July 17th, to Michele (née O'Neill) and Martin, a son, Joshua, a brother for Vicky.

TARTUFOLO - On July 11th, at St John's Hospital, Chelmsford, to Kathy (née Lane) and Roger, a son, James Anthony, a brother for Amy.

van ZWANENBERG - On July 15th, to Virginia (née Stephens) and Guy, a daughter, Olivia Charlotte.

MARRIAGES

HORSMAN:WHITE - On July 20th, John Michael Vereker Horsman of Linstead Farm, Cratfield, Suffolk to Margaret Jill White.

NIXON:SWANSON - On July 18th 1987, at St. Peter's Church, Frimley, Neil to Amanda.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

CORBIN–STANHOPE on July 21st 1937 at St. Peters, Claybrooke, Leics Thomas to Josephine now at Spaldwick, nr Huntingdon.

DEATHS

BLAND - *On July 18th 1987,* peacefully at home, John Percival Richard aged 80 years, of Cound Leasowes, Cressage. Dearly loved father to Robert, Judy and Sarah. A Service of Thanksgiving at St Peter's Church, Cound on Thursday July 23rd at 3.00pm. No flowers. Donations if wished to be divided between the Nature Conservancy Trust and St Peter's Church, Cound for which purpose a plate will be provided at the Church. Enquiries to The Funeral Directors, W.R.R. Pugh and Son, Tel: Shrewsbury: (0743) 4646.

BOOTH-CLIBBORN - On July 19th, peacefully at University College Hospital, in his 89th year, Theodore, *beloved husband of Lucille and last* surviving grandson of General William Booth. Funeral in Chipping Barnet Parish Church at 2.30pm on Friday July 24th. Family flowers only; donations to the Parish Church.

CALLAWAY - On July 16th, Archibald Charles Unseco Representative to Nigeria. Funeral service will be held on Wednesday July 22nd at 12 noon at Balliol College Chapel, Oxford for family, friends and colleagues.

COLE - On July 18th, at Chelmsford, after short illness, A.W.H. (Alick) Cole O.B.E., *C. ENG, F.I.E.E.*, aged 80. Dearly loved husband of Dorothy, formerly of Marconi Co and Cable and Wireless.

CUMMINGS - On July 14th, suddenly at home in Rayleigh, Essex, the Reverend Arthur Dagg Cummings, aged 75, after 50 years of preaching and service to Methodism. Much loved husband of Ethel, father of Margaret and John and *grandfather of* Suzannah and Timothy. Service of Thanksgiving will be held at Rayleigh on July 22nd at 9.45 am *followed by* cremation. Donations in lieu of flowers to Methodist Homes for the Aged.

FAIRLEY - On Sunday July 19th 1987, at Nobles, (Isle of Mann) Hospital, Alan Brand of Mount Rule Braddan, Isle of Mann *and formerly* of Southwark Street, London. Former Deputy Chairman of Grand Metropolitan Hotels PLC and Joint Chairman of Mecca PLC. Dearly loved husband of Roma and dear father of Shona. Funeral service and Cremation at Douglas, Isle of Mann. Borough Crematorium at 2.00pm on Friday July 24th. Family flowers only please, donations in lieu of flowers if so desired may be made to Hospice Care, c/o Mr P Vickers, 2 Sydney Mount, Douglas, Isle of Mann. Enquiries please to KK Teare Funeral Directors Ltd. Tel: (0624) 75123.

FIELDING - On Wednesday July 15th 1987, suddenly at Freshwater Golf Club, Isle of Wight, John Barford Fielding B.S.c. C.Chem. F.R.S.C., dearly beloved husband of Moreen, much loved and cherished by his children, Gillian and Nicholas, his daughter in law Shandra, and his grandchildren Christian and Alexandra. He will be sadly missed by his family who give thanks for his life. Funeral service at The Parish Church of St Mary Magdalene and St Denys, Midhurst at 3.30pm on Wednesday July 22nd 1987 followed by private family burial. Enquiries and flowers to L.F. Lintott & Son. Tel: Midhurst 3264.

GREEN - James Maurice Spurgeon MBE, TD, MA on July 19th 1987 peacefully in Winchester after a short illness. Much loved husband of Janet and father of Anthony and Michael. The funeral service will be at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Twyford, *Hampshire on Thursday* July 23rd at 11.30 am followed by a private cremation. A memorial service will be held at St. Brides Church, Fleet Street at *12 noon on September* 22nd 1987.

HARDINGE - On July 16th, on holiday *in Malta Captain Peter John Stephen* Hardinge M.B.E. Royal Navy, aged 72. Beloved and devoted husband *of* Betty, dearly loved father of Sue, Tim and Mike and a loving grandfather. Requiem Mass on Thursday, July 23rd at 3.00pm at Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Bishop's Waltham followed by interment at West Hoe Cemetery. Enquiries to Thomas Pink & Son, Bishop's Waltham Tel: 2640.

JONES - On July 17th, at Chester, aged 90 years Robert Cyril Briscoe M.C., D.Sc. Funeral service at St. Mary's *Without, Chester 1.45pm 22nd July* followed by Cremation at Blacon Crematorium. Family flowers.

KELLS - *On July 16th, peacefully, Mrs* Noreena Kells. Mourned deeply by her beloved husband Gordon, six children, grandson, brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews and all her family and friends. Funeral to be held at St James's, Spanish Place on Thursday July 23rd at 11 am.

KENNEDY - On July 16th, peacefully, Lillis, much loved widow of Jack, mother and mother in law of John and Ann, grandmother of Joanna and James. Requiem 11.00am Sacred Heart Church, Edge Hill, Wimbledon, Thursday 23rd July.

MACLEOD - On Sunday 19th July 1987, peacefully at Cambusavie Hospital: Dornoch, Bessie MacKenzie aged 81 years. Dear *wife of the late* Eric MacLeod, Rangoon Scourie, Sutherland, beloved mother of Margaret and John and a dearly loved grandmother. Funeral service from Scourie Church of Scotland, Thursday 23rd July at 1.00pm and thereafter to Scourie Cemetery. All friends respectively invited.

MASTERS - On July 16th 1987, Ronald Provost after a long illness bravely borne.

MASTERSON - On July 18th, peacefully, in his sleep at home, Denis Clifford, husband of Jan. Funeral family only. No letters or flowers please. Donations in lieu, if desired, to Royal Marsden Hospital, *Cancer Research Fund, Fulham* Road, SW7.

MAWHOOD - On July 18th, John Lennox, peacefully in hospital after a very long illness, loved husband of Joan, dear father of Christopher, Patricia and Caroline and devoted grandfather and father-in-law. Funeral service to be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Seer Green, nr Beaconsfield, Bucks on Monday 27th July at 3.00pm followed by a private cremation at the Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham. Family flowers only please.

MUSSON - *On July 16th,* suddenly aged 58 years, Alan Musson, of 40 Stonewell Park road, Congresbury, Avon. Funeral service at St Andrews *Church, Congresbury, Friday July* 24th at 12 noon. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to St Andrews Church. C/O the Rev. R. Salmon. *The Vicarage, Congresbury.*

NAYLOR - On July 17th, after a road accident, Timothy Peter, aged 25. Beloved son of Peter and Barbara, dearly loved brother of Adam, Sophie and Robin, adored grandson and nephew and dearest friend of Daphne. Funeral service at Saffron Walden Baptist Church (High Street) at 1.00pm on 24th July followed by interment. Flowers to Weyman Funeral Service, Abbey Walk, Cambridge or donations to Tear Fund or London Embankment Mission.

PRICE - *On July 16th 1987, peacefully* at Robertson's Nursing Home Godalming, Major General Cedric Rhys (George) aged 82, beloved husband of the late Rosamund Clifford and devoted and much loved father and grandfather. Service of Thanksgiving at St Mark's Church, Peaslake, Surrey, on Wednesday 12th August at 12 noon. Family flowers only please but donations to Save The Children Fund.

RODENHURST - *On July 19th 1987,* peacefully in hospital and of Coneygarth, Yerburgh Avenue, Colwyn Bay, William Selkirk the *dearly loved husband of Hilda.* Service and Committal at Colwyn Bay Crematorium on Thursday, 23rd July at 2.30pm. Family flowers only. Enquiries to T. Conchar & Sons, Telephone Colwyn Bay 532206.

SAMUEL - On July 19th 1987, quietly at home, George Arthur.

SCHOFIELD - On July 18th, Angela, beloved wife of Christopher and *adored mother of Harry, Vere, Peter* and Joanna. Funeral service at the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Hambleden, on Tuesday July *28th, at 12.00 noon. Flowers or* preferably donations to Marie Curie Foundation or Macmillan Cancer Relief Fund, C/O Sawyer's, 32 West Street, Marlow, *Buckinghamshire.*

STRAUSS - On July 16th 1987, Lady Patricia Strauss, beloved wife of Lord Strauss and mother of Roger, Brian and Hilary.

VOELCKER - On July 18th 1987, peacefully after a short illness, at The Haven, Fowey, Ruth Isabel, widow of Commander Paul Voelcker RN (Rt'd). Funeral 22nd July at 11.00am at Lanrulyan. No flowers please.

WARD - On July 18th 1987, peacefully at her home in Saltdean, Margarethe *Ward (née Schlegel), aged 88 years.* Inquiries to: E. Carter & Son. Tel: Brighton 33467.

WOODHAM-DAVIES - *On July 15th* 1987, Margaret Sarah (Peggy) peacefully at Ysbyty Gwynedd Bangor of Ger y Dinas Criccieth late of *Ynwich Fawr will be sadly* missed by her family. Funeral private. No flowers or letters by request.

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THE ARTS

Floppy future

Star Cops (BBC2) being in the third week of its run, an interim report seems in order – which is another way of saying that the alternative on BBC1 is *Terry and June*. Chris Boucher's space-opera transports the conventions of weekly drama to a design-department purgatory of modified 1980s chic which does not look exactly futuristic but simply wrong. This future, from this sofa, appears to be less than munificently funded.

The history of fictional futures is that of blank screens for the projection of current anxieties, and *Star Cops* plumps for the nightmare of material greed serviced by indomitable technology: computer-crime extrapolated to the nth degree. Some of the individual plot-lines show invention of a sort, but the script is uniformly feeble.

Last night we met a millionaire scientist on the moon who had developed the ultimate snooping machine which eavesdropped on everything in the universe and then decided what was worth listening to. Having missed his vocation as a radio critic, the evil genius had also spiked the world's major computers with auto-destruct chips programmed to be triggered by the command "O Rose, thou art sick!". Thus instructed, a couple of superior Dinky-toy high-speed trains (or, more likely, the same model shot in reverse) pranged thunderously in the Channel tunnel. "Bizarre stories of poetry preceding disaster", intoned a newsflash.

Presumably some minor cultural comment was intended by the fact that the police, though capable of quoting famous lines from the movies of the previous century, were quite unversed in the works of William Blake, an obscure 18th-century ranter. Someone should send them a floppy disc of his prose satire *An Island in the Moon*. Blake knew how to be funny about the future.

Martin Cropper

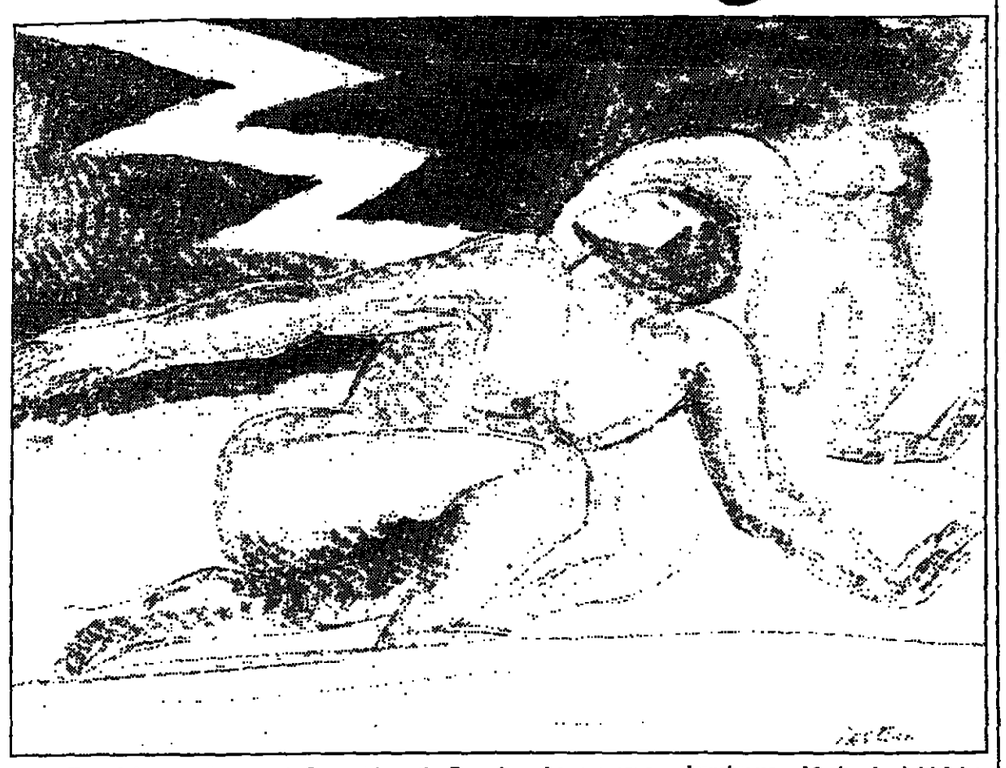
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GALLERIES

John Russell Taylor reviews the work of Jacob Epstein, André Masson and Peter de Francia



Jacob Epstein's extensive output of graphic work, here represented by *The Thunderbolt* (above) from the Montpelier Studio, providing the exhibitions' greatest surprise; and the sophisticated primitivism of his early work revealed in *Sunflower* (detail) at the Whitechapel Gallery



What you experience with Epstein, as compared with the generality of British artists in the 20th century, is not so much a difference of magnitude as a difference of kind. It is evident as soon as you walk into **Jacob Epstein: Sculpture and Drawings**, which I wrote about enthusiastically from Leeds and is now at the Whitechapel Art Gallery until September 13, that you are in the presence of a modern master, and all question of better or worse than A, B or C becomes totally irrelevant: he is, take him or leave him, *sui generis*.

In the splendour of the show's new surroundings, most people are likely to take him. Physically the gallery is much more congenial, with its wide open spaces, to his work than Leeds's smaller, interconnecting rooms. And psychologically it is a tonic to see something so abounding in raw life and vigour, so careless of good taste and intellectual respectability, in Whitechapel's joy-free zone, usually dedicated to the high duty of art rather than pleasure and basic human involvement. It is still true that we could do with more of the major sculptures that are not immovably fixed in some public spot (though in London a considerable variety of these is readily available to supplement the show for the moderately enterprising visitor). But the extraordinarily powerful and expressive *Lazarus* has been added since Leeds to provide a fitting climax.

Another advantage of seeing the exhibition in London is that it is accompanied by two other shows, **Jacob Epstein: Drawings and Illustrations**, at the Boundary Gallery, just outside the gates of the Saachi Collection, until the end of the week (followed by a tour of Colchester, Brighton and Canterbury), and **Jacob Epstein 1880-1959** at the Montpelier Studio in Montpelier Street until August 19. Both supplement Whitechapel in an area which probably provides its greatest surprise: that of Epstein's extensive output of graphic work. At Whitechapel some of the earliest drawings, from the turn of the century, are worthy of Picasso at the same period, and the somewhat Secession-style illustration to Whitman's *Calamus* suggests another unsuspected affinity, confirmed by a second drawing from the same series at the Boundary.

The preparatory drawings for sculptures, of which more are visible in both additional shows, are often very powerful on their own account. But we tend to forget that throughout most of his career Epstein also produced book illustrations, especially on Judaic and biblical subjects (though there was also a fine series for Baudelaire), and large-scale watercolours and gouaches of flowers and scenes in Epping Forest which had no direct connection with his sculpture at all. The Montpelier Studio has examples of the gouaches; and of the Judaic subjects the Boundary shows, among others, the splendid series of illustrations Epstein made for *The Book of Affinity* by his friend, patron and unreadable mystic writer Moysheh Oyved in 1933.

In these the influence, absorbed but still apparent, of African and Oceanic art helps to remind us that Epstein was, very early on, an enthusiastic and discriminating collector. One of the most sensitively managed parts of the Whitechapel display is that which integrates Epstein's own work with works from his collection. But every time one sees new things: this is a show which repays many visits.

In all the fuss over Gilbert & George, the other show at the Hayward until September 27, **André Masson: Line Unleashed**, has been rather overlooked. A pity, for it is well worth visiting in its own right, and you do get it thrown into the general price of admission. Masson has been best known as a Surrealist with a special interest in automatism, and much comment on his drawings has centred on their status as automatic or semi-automatic products of his unconscious. But looking at this generous selection one does not receive that impression at all.

Most of them have strongly erotic subject-matter, either in their recurrent themes of orgy and rape or in their limitless ability to find erotic anatomy in landscapes, still-lifes and other usually fairly innocent occupations of the academic artist. And in all of them Masson emerges as a highly capable and surely very conscious draughtsman. Maybe the initial impetus did come from the unconscious, but it always seems here to have been shaped by an inventive and witty intelligence.

Peter de Francia has been known in recent years more as a brilliant and influential teacher at the Royal College of Art than as a creator in his own right. But though it would seem he has not had enough time to pursue the kind of large-scale modern-history painting which first brought him to attention in the Fifties, the heyday of Guttuso, he has clearly continued obsessively to draw, and an anthology of the results is to be seen at the Camden Arts Centre until the end of the week, along with a small show of work by his students.

Though the influence of Guttuso remains prominent throughout, the subject-matter of these large and powerful drawings tends more towards the mythological. There is always evident some modern application, or at any rate universalizing factor, in De Francia's variations on the myths of the Minotaur or Pandora. In both there are touches of satire and veiled social comment, though finally they, like most of his other work, seem to be concerned, as a teacher's might well be, with the quest for knowledge and the whole nexus of creation and destruction it is likely to entail. Two things emerge clearly from the show: that as a teacher he has been enlivening but not domineering, and that in the power of his draughtsmanship he has few equals in contemporary British art.

PROMENADE CONCERT

Roaratorio
Albert Hall/Radio 3

If ever a concert called out to be televised, this was it, with a leading dance company for the first time taking part in the Proms. So the BBC transmitted it on Radio 3 only: brilliant planning. Cameras were needed for another reason. John Cage's music, or at least its presentation, is spatially devised.

A big dance-floor fills most of the arena (promenaders, alas, had to be banished from the occasion). Around it sit Cage, at a table containing script and microphone; his sound engineers at a vast array of controls; and five Irish musicians with fiddle, pipes, flute or bodhran. Cage reads aloud a text devised from *Finnegans Wake*, although from my seat I heard the voice, rarely the words. The musicians play when they please, but to a given total of minutes.

Through loudspeakers set around the hall come sounds that are mentioned in Joyce's novel or that were recorded in places mentioned there. In the version with dancing you also hear the quiet thud of feet. Experienced live, it has the genial, mildly frantic air of overhearing a not-too-rowdy party in the next house. But I cannot imagine what it must have sounded like to listeners at home, deprived both of visual clues and of the effect of sound taking you by surprise from different directions.

How many listened all through? An hour (by the stopwatch, as ever with Cage) is rather long even for the spectator. A few left the hall, including the entire occupancy of one large box – too polite, however, to slam the door behind them.

Merce Cunningham's contribution aims for the equivalent disorganized look; but even if, as Cage's true disciple, he still uses chance in his choreography, nowadays you no longer actually see it there as used to be the case. So by comparison with the sounds the dancing seemed continuous and premeditated. It is very good dancing none the less, although not necessarily the easiest to follow for an audience presumably interested mainly in music, except when it occasionally introduces touches of Irish folk or social dance.

Perhaps we should have had dancing also for *Les Noces*, which began the concert. Without Nijinska's fierce, raw choreography, the account of Stravinsky's score under Simon Joly sounded too gentle.

John Percival

ROCK

The Beach Boys
Wembley Arena

Carelessly described on occasion as "the most popular American band of all time", the Beach Boys no longer have a recording contract, yet as a touring nostalgia show, celebrating since last year an extended 25th anniversary, they are reputed to be among the Top 10 live acts in the United States.

Their first British performance since Knebworth in 1980 bore the hallmarks of a low-budget spectacular; the equipment was plonked in the middle of an acre of stage tarted up by a few plants and a couple of surfboards lying at the side, and lit by a minimum of functional whites. The five Boys – Carl and Brian Wilson, Al Jardine, Bruce Johnston and Mike Love – were augmented by five unnamed musicians who played with reasonable assurance.

The Boys themselves came raging out of their corner, firing off an unbroken volley of "California Girls", "I Can Hear Music", "Sloop John B", "Darlin' ", "Dance, Dance, Dance", "Wouldn't It Be Nice" and "Do It Again" before the first stop in the music.

Brian Wilson was least central to the proceedings, standing diffidently to one side, strumming a guitar and joining in the harmonies. His presence seemed contribution enough in the light of the dedication of songs by Carl Wilson ("Heaven") and Bruce Johnston ("Disney Girls") to the absent Dennis Wilson, the third brother, who died in 1983 at the age of 39.

Whether it was such reminders of the group's troubled history confirmed by the visible intimations of mortality reflected in their ageing faces, or the lack of any trace of contemporaneity in the music, the well-worn themes of Californian sun, surf, girls, hot rods and teenage romance emerged from the soaring mêlée of falsetto harmonies just a little too tarnished for comfort; there were moments when it seemed as if both band and audience were enthusiastically clutching at straws.

But another run of classics, climaxing with a chorus of "Barbara Ann", assisted by Paul Young, wrought the old magic and revived spirits.

David Sinclair

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THEATRE

Three Men on a Horse
Vaudeville

Jonathan Lynn's National Theatre revival of Holm and Abbott's 1935 comedy has transferred to the Vaudeville with, I guess, no loss of form. It is gloriously fast-paced and physical: most of the characters are in such a galloping hurry to make a quick buck that you sometimes wonder if they are going to keep their hair, let alone their hats, in place, but the delight of Lynn's production is the detailed precision of gesture which never gets lost in the rush.

The exception, as far as rush is concerned, is the central character, Irwin Trowbridge, the submissive greetings-card rhymster with an unerring nose for winners (except himself). Geoffrey Hutchings's bemused innocent is the still point of this madly spinning world, doggedly turning out his doggerel in preference to coining money and in defiance of his three grasping partners and an appalling hangover.

The supporting cast is admirable, with Ken Stott, Desmond Barrit and Cyril Shaps wonderfully contrasted as the three men of the title. Stott's beady-eyed, bad-tempered Patsy is a masterpiece, genuinely nasty and ridiculous at the same time. Barrit's soft-hearted thug and Shaps's wizened sidekick are perfect foils.

In a much talked-about cast-change Toyah Willcox takes over from Gemma Craven as the gamblers' moll, and shows that she can switch from punk to period farce with admirable versatility. Her chorus-girl dance routine, performed in order to distract the kidnapped Irwin, is beautifully controlled (just bad enough for the joins to show) and hilariously funny. Alison Fiske also works wonders with the not-very-grateful part of Irwin's hysterical wife, jutting of bosom and throbbing of voice. Nicholas Le Prevost is suitably manic, and vaguely reminiscent of Basil Fawlty, as her hypocritical brother.

Three Men on a Horse remains, as Irving Wardle suggested in his review of the Cottesloe production, a hugely enjoyable night out.

Harry Eyres



Toyah Willcox – switching from punk to period farce with admirable versatility

FINZI TRUST FESTIVAL

Nash Ensemble
Radley College

The Finzi Trust by nature tends a mellow, well-tilled, autumn-cool acreage of English music, but the packed programme of its festival at the weekend, held in the fine new concert hall at Radley, included a few glances in other directions. There were new choral pieces from James Wishart and John Joubert, and also an electrified octet, *Farben*, by Jonty Harrison, which sat amid chamber works by Ireland, Ferguson and Michael Berkeley in the final concert like a Boeing on a Constable sky.

Harrison's talk in the programme of "a more ambiguous 'timbre-continuum' " suggests Boulez's *effort in his "... explosante-fixe ..."* towards the blending of instrumental colours: in *Farben* the colours are those of the Schubertian octet, and the blending takes place by means of Yamaha digital signal processors. But, though the tones of the wind instruments lend themselves quite well to mixing and electronically aided mimicry, the strings remain obstinately themselves.

There were many beautiful effects from the live-electronic interplay, notably in the enhancing of harmonics to make glassy haloes around the double bass, but these seemed adventitious; and the concentration on colour had perhaps made Harrison bleed interest from other domains unduly, even if there was a sort of rude force in the opening and closing monotones. The conclusion, albeit obvious, must be that there was more variety of colour and subtlety of mixture in Howard Ferguson's Octet for the same combination: an eager work, vividly played.

Paul Griffiths

DANCE

Onegin
Coliseum

London Festival Ballet completed its Coliseum season with three performances of *Onegin*. Cranko's richly romantic adaptation of Pushkin's tragi-comic poem offers tremendous opportunities to all its interpreters, and Festival presented three new accounts of the title-role at successive performances, all good and rising in a crescendo of effect.

Paul Chalmer and Martin James were both playing the part for the first time; Ivan Liska, who dances it with the Hamburg Ballet, was making his London début in a guest appearance. All are tall, handsome men, splendid partners and strong dancers.

Chalmer gave a good preliminary sketch of the character which could develop interestingly. His Tatiana was Elisabetta Terabust, who acts thoughtfully but tackles each episode too much in one key. Thus the performance was dominated (perhaps it would have been anyway) by Trinidad Sevillano's Olga. She danced with ravishing sweetness and made her absolute adoration of Matz Skoog's Lenski clear with every movement, every look. I have never seen this role better done.

James always brings out the drama of his roles, and even at this first attempt he found much excellent detail, especially at the party *chez* Madame Larina. He was aided by Peter Ernst Lassen's superb account of the Tchaikovsy score, by Janette Mulligan's expressive nuance in all her dances as Tatiana and by Koen Onzia's eloquent dancing as Lenski. (Onzia has returned to Festival Ballet stronger than ever after a spell working with Panov in Antwerp: his Romeo in Nureyev's production the previous week reveals an exciting blend of humour, passion and brilliantly fast, sharply defined and fluent dancing.)

The best was yet to be, with the pairing of Liska and Natalia Makarova. No need, fortunately, to dwell on an aberration earlier in the week when Makarova with Martin James appeared in Kevin Haigen's new duet, like a parody of MacMillan's most bizarre manner, distinguished only by Galina Stamenova's beautiful violin playing in Tchaikovsky's *Meditation*.

But, given a role that nowadays suits her better than any other, Makarova was at the top of her form in *Onegin*, and Liska fully matched her. His interpretation is different from the usual sardonic figure in the ballet of the opera; taking his cue perhaps direct from Pushkin, he makes the character punctiliously courteous. It renders Tatiana's infatuation more understandable and his own role more complex, more attractive and ultimately more moving.

John Percival

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How to tie the designer knot

Take a length of soft fabric, a pair of scissors and a designing talent for draping – and create your own summer style

Practice certainly does make perfect. We polish up our skills in the ancient art of tying a simple sarong each summer. The more accomplished try out different techniques in draping and wrapping the body. And since this primitive, yet elegant, style of dress has recently moved from the beach into mainstream fashion, I invited three professionals to demonstrate how, with a twist, tuck and a knot, a length of fabric can be transformed into a designer original.

Edina Ronay, who has perfected the knack of tucking and knotting the pretty pareos she collects into highly individual creations, improvised a pair of puffball bloomers. Bruce Oldfield's virtuoso performance simply involved slicing a length of jersey in two and twisting it into a stunning little nothing which looks very much like an expensive Oldfield original. Jeff Banks's sleight of hand turned lengths from a bolt of butter muslin into a one-shouldered top and skirt.

Even if you can't sew a straight seam, you can follow their inspiration. Armed with a sharp pair of scissors and a length of pliable fabric that will mould itself to the body (like a fine Indian muslin or a large scarf of soft silk) and not slide out of its folds, start doodling with drapes and knots. Wrapped once around the hips it makes a skirt. Drawn up higher it becomes a strapless or one-shouldered dress. With practice you can use fabric on the bias to make a more taut halter top or bandeau, and layer it in panels into a floaty handkerchief-point skirt. For added security anchor the folds with a belt or a sash.

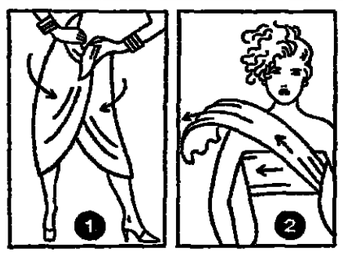
Edina Ronay always travels on holiday with four or five colourful lengths of cloth like the gold-threaded blue and white pareo brought back from Bali by her friend Barbara Parkin, or a length of bright yellow silk from India. These she knots into strapless dresses, or wears slung low as a sarong or even uses as a towel. A favourite twist is the nappy-like flourish in batik that becomes the puffball bloomers shown here.

Many a Bruce Oldfield best-seller began life as a mere twist of cloth. "That's how it starts, working out a design by draping fabric on a mannequin stand," he confirms. Since Oldfield first started draping fluid jersey and crêpe in 1973, sophistications have naturally crept into the repertoire of sinuous little numbers which he tosses off with such apparent ease. Sequins, crêpe de chine or velvet can all be used as well as jersey. "There is no reason why the twist should not work in other fabrics," he says. "The result simply performs in a different way. It may just become more bouncy."

Typically Jeff Banks of the Warehouse chain, who not merely designs and sell clothes but is the sort of lateral-thinker who turns shop windows into art galleries, and installs washing machines to encourage customers to dye cottons themselves, added an extra dimension to the exercise. Not content with simply demonstrating his way to wrap and twist a length of cloth, he printed his fabric first. Using Dylon fabric paints and pens on muslin stretched and taped on to paper, he got down on the studio floor to paint the sort of primitive pattern nomadic tribes etch on to their skin and daub on cloth.

"Even if you think you can't draw you can do this," he said, zig-zagging a winding road design as the border. Inspiration, he suggests, can be taken from pamphlets available at the Museum of Mankind, or from Carol Beckwith's amazing photographs in *Nomads of Niger* (Collins, £30). "The more primitive and uneven your painting is, the better."





Jeff Banks hand-painted 1.80m of *muslin with* border and pattern for simple sarong, tied at front (1). Top is 2.84m wrapped as strapless bandeau with length draped diagonally from front to back and knotted (2)

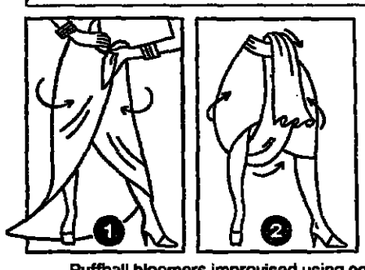
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Bruce Oldfield *cut 2m length of* jersey in two vertically, *allowing at least* 62cm for skirt, 38cm for top. Knot "top" behind neck. Loop longer length through at waist (1). Stretch *top edges to back* of waist and pin (2)

The twist, made in matt viscose jersey, which is available in a wide range of colours; 130cm wide, £18.95 a metre from Dickins & Jones, Regent Street, W1; £22.95 a metre from Liberty, W1 (also available by mail order) and from major department stores. Gold-squiggled suede shoes, £110, Rayne, 15-16 Old Bond Street, W1. Earrings, £190; bracelet, £235; by Influence from Bruce Oldfield, 27 Beauchamp Place, SW3





Edina Ronay wraps a pareo, *150cm by 100cm* into bloomers. Tie one short side of the oblong around waist, knot at front (1). Loop fabric through legs and draw it under knot at waist, fold over and arrange in *neat pleats (2)*

Puffball bloomers improvised using cotton pareo, £21.50, Liberty, Regent Street, W1. Tapestry knitted cotton jacket, £225, suede belt, £49.50, both Edina Ronay, 141 Kings Road, SW3; Harvey Nichols, SW1; Liberty, W1; from end July. Sandals, £39.99, *Russell & Bromley*
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Little gems

To get some idea of the pace of London's social life in any one season, you need look no further than a couturier's workrooms. Where once it was a ballgown and the essential tweed suit for the paddock that a customer was prepared to stand and be fitted for, now it is the tiny, short, taut dress, or the "Really Little Dress", as the blurb on **Victor Edelstein's** programme notes at his show last week described it.

London's social round this autumn obviously demands one of his really little numbers with some cunning swathing and a touch of beading winking on a background of lush velvet. What **Lucy Ferry** or **Lady Chichester** want and, no doubt, so do **Mrs Mick Flick, Mrs Edmund de Rothschild, Mrs Michael Heseltine** and her daughter, **Alexandra**, and the rest of Edelstein's smart clientele who gathered to applaud his new collection, is a bosomy Empire-line dress that narrows flatteringly till it just hits the knee.

The designer, who dresses the cream of London society from his South Kensington mews workrooms (which produce eight garments a week on average), has created for them all a new wardrobe of short, nifty, dramatic suits and



Victor Edelstein's Empire-line in brown velvet, satin bow

dresses to see them through the winter season. But Edelstein's most illustrious client, the **Princess of Wales**, is not the only one who needs the big balldress. He sculpts and tucks long dresses, too, in heavy duchesse satin, slicing tops devastatingly low, and ensuring there is a voluminous cape or coat in which to make the grand entrance.

● **On the subject of short dresses, Hardy Amies, who celebrated his 78th birthday last Friday, showed both his couture and ready-to-wear collections last week. He too provides his couture clientele with a line-up of knee-skimming dresses to choose from. In lace or cloqué, most are slinky and ruched, finishing in a flourish of flounces or wide bell-shaped skirts. One of the prettiest is Empire-line in scarlet cloqué, short to the knee, its neckline swept dramatically wide off the shoulders. For the really grand occasion, Hardy Amies adds an asymmetric whoosh of rose pink taffeta, or perches an imposing bow on one shoulder or hip of his black velvet and lamé winners.**

Hat cheque

Designer hats are expensive, running as they do to £100 and up, but to suggest that a loan is needed to invest in one is stretching it. **The Royal Bank of Scotland**, however, are using the creations of one of our top millinery designers, **Philip Somerville**, *in their* latest television advertising campaign, for their Personal Loan scheme, due on our screens this week.

Six hats from Somerville's new collection are currently on display at their Bond Street branch until July 30, when the exhibition makes a tour of *other branches. A gold-tasseled coolie hat in dark violet* and a Tartar's toque trimmed with glossy ciré are among the oriental shapes launched last week by *Somerville.*

Browns boys

The score in the tug-of-war for top international design names between London retailers gives Browns a new victory. *Both Comme des Garçons* collections, men's and women's, are now back in their fold, and about to be housed in a chic corner establishment on the corner of Davies and Brook streets from September.

The Comme des Garçons label, created by Japanese star *Rei Kawakubo*, which Browns introduced to London, was split when Comme menswear was snatched by Peder Bertelsen and his Agnecheek empire. The trendsetters, however, never made the trip to Bertelsen's Brompton Cross gallery, and the site has now been sold.

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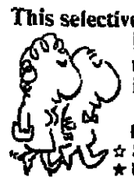
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BOOKING KEY
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THEATRE

LONDON

☆ **THE CANTERBURY TALES:** Michael Bogdanov's cheerfully bawdy version of bawdily cheerful Chaucer
Prince of Wales Theatre, Coventry Street, W1 (01-839 5987). tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8.30pm, mat Sat 5.30pm. £6.50-£12.50.

☆ **CERCEAU:** From Moscow, Anatoli Vasiliev and company in a play by Victor Slavkin. A LIFT show
Riverside Studios, (01-748 3354), tonight 7pm, £7.50.

☆ **COURT IN THE ACT:** Gorgeous Gabrielle Drake alarms Michael Denison and dazzles Lee Montague in this genial 1912 French farce.
Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-836 2294). tube: Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Fri 8-10.20pm, Sat 8.30-10.50pm, mats Thurs 3-5.20pm and Sat 5-7.20pm. £5-£12.50.

☆ **EVERYMAN IN HIS HUMOUR:** Transfer of Ben Jonson play from last year's Stratford season. An RSC production.
Mermaid Theatre, Puddle Dock, EC4 (01-236 5568). tube: Blackfriars Mon-Sat 7.30-10.30pm, mat Thurs and Sat 2-5pm, £4.50-£12.50.

☆ **FATHERS AND SONS:** Brian Friel's version of Turgenev's novel; Alec McCowen plays the first of the Nihilists.
National Theatre (Lyttelton), South Bank SE1 (01-928 2252), tube: Waterloo. Tonight at 7.45-10.35pm, £6-£13.

☆ **FOLLIES:** Sondheim's musical, in London at last, has Diana Rigg and Julia McKenzie leading a starry cast.
Shaftesbury Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue WC2 (01-379 5399), tube: Holborn/Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, mats Wed and Sat 3-5.30pm. £10-£20.

☆ **JENKIN'S EAR:** Impressive moral-political fable by Dusty Hughes, set in Central America.
Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square, SW1 (01-730 1745), tube: Sloane Square. Mon-Sat 8-10.15pm, mat Sat 4-6.15pm, £4-£10.

☆ **KISS ME KATE:** After its national tour the RSC production opens in town with Paul Jones and Nichola McAuliffe.
Old Vic Theatre, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616), tube: Waterloo. 7.30-10.30pm, £8-£17.50.

☆ **LIGHT UP THE SKY:** Re-cast from its premiere at the Old Vic in 1985. Elijah Moshinsky's production of Moss Hart's Forties comedy with Keith Baxter, Art Metrano, Kate O'Mara and Maxine Audley
Globe Theatre, (01-437 3667). Previews Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, mats Wed 3-5.30pm and Sat 4.30-7pm, £6-£12.50.

☆ **MEAN TEARS:** New Peter Gill play about the way lovers live now, set in this year's London.
National Theatre (Cottesloe), South Bank SE1 (01-928 2252). tube: Waterloo. Tonight at 7.30-9.45pm, £7.

☆ **MELON:** New Simon Gray play stars Alan Bates as a slithering publisher imploding with sexual jealousy.
Haymarket Theatre, Haymarket, SW1 (01-930 9832), tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, mat Sat 3-5.30pm, £4-£14.50.

☆ **PROJECT:** Gutsy musical about life on an American housing estate, performed by 26 of its residents, the Chicago Free Street Theater. A LIFT show.
Theatre Royal, Gerry Raffles Square, Stratford East, E15 (01-534 0310), tube: Stratford East. Mon-Sat 8pm, £2-£6.

☆ **ROMEO AND JULIET:** Sean Bean and Niamh Cusack are the young lovers in Michael Bogdanov's production set in Verona 1986.
Barbican Theatre, Barbican Centre, EC2 (01-628 8795), tube: Barbican/Moorgate. Mon-Sat 7.30-10.30pm, mat Thurs and Sat 2-5pm. £6-£13.50.

☆ **A SMALL FAMILY BUSINESS:** New Alan Ayckbourn comedy: is honesty the commercially best policy?
National Theatre (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (01-928 2252), tube: Waterloo. Tonight at 7.15pm, £6-£13.

☆ **THREE MEN ON A HORSE:** Marvellously funny and friendly betting comedy: Geoffrey Hutchings and company joined by Toyah Wilcox for this National Theatre transfer.
Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 9988), tube: Charing Cross/Embankment. Mon-Fri 8-10.15pm, Sat 8.30-10.45pm, mats Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £5-£13.50.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **The Business Of Murder:** Mayfair Theatre (01-629 3036). . . ☆ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079). . . ☆ **Chess:** Prince Edward Theatre (01-734 8951). . . ☆ **42nd Street:** Drury Lane Theatre Royal (01-836 8108/9/0). . . ☆ **Les Liaisons Dangereuses:** Ambassadors Theatre (01-836 6111, cc 01-836 1171. . . ☆ **Me And My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-240 7913/4] . . . ★ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909). . . ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443). . . ☆ **No Sex Please, We're British:** Duchess Theatre (01-836 8243). . . ★ **Phantom Of The Opera:** Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244). . . ☆ **Run For Your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216) . . . ☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria Theatre (01-828 8665).

OUT OF TOWN

NEWBURY: ☆ **The Winter's Tale:** The Bohemian scenes are played in the gardens beside the river, the audience sitting on hay bales.
Watermill Theatre, Bagnor, Newbury (0635 46044). Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mat Sat 2.30pm, £3.50-£7.95.

NOTTINGHAM: ☆ **To Kill a Mockingbird:** Dramatization of Harper Lee's Deep South novel, currently a set book.
Playhouse Theatre, East Circus Street (0602 419419). Mon-Sat 7.30pm, £3-£6.

SCARBOROUGH: ☆ **Spokesong:** The story of the pushbike told as a musical; catchy title song.
Stephen Joseph Theatre-in-the-Round, Scarborough (0723 370541). Tonight 8-10.05pm, £4.50.

BEST SELLING BOOKS

Best selling books for the week ending July 17

FICTION			
1	**The Songlines,** Bruce Chatwin	Cape	£10.95
2	**People For Lunch,** Georgina Hammick	Methuen	£ 9.95
3	**Two Lives and A Dream,** Marguerite Yourcenar	Aidan Ellis	£ 9.95
4	**Close Quarters,** William Golding	Faber	£ 9.95
5	**Not That Sort of Girl,** Mary Wesley	Macmillan	£10.95
NON-FICTION			
1	**Life of My Choice,** Wilfred Thesiger	Collins	£15.00
2	**The Grand Tour,** Christopher Hibbert	Methuen	£14.95
3	**Period Detail,** Judith & Martin Miller	Mitchell Beazley	£14.95
4	**Straight On 'til Morning,** Mary Lovell	Hutchinson	£15.95
5	**Westminster Abbey,** Edward Carpenter & David Gentleman	Weidenfeld	£12.95
PAPERBACKS			
1	**A Matter of Honour,** Jeffrey Archer	Coronet	£ 3.50
2	**Campaign: The Selling of The Prime Minister,** Rodney Tyler	Grafton	£ 6.95
3	*Fringes of Power Vol II, John Colville*	Sceptre	£ 5.95
4	**Backcloth,** Dirk Bogarde	Penguin	£ 3.50
5	**If This Is The Man,** Primo Levi	Abacus	£ 3.95
6	**Raven in The Foregate,** Ellis Peters	Futura	£ 2.50
7	**A Perfect Spy,** John le Carré	Coronet	£ 3.50
8	**An Insular Possession,** Timothy Mo	Picador	£ 3.95
9	**The Vacillations of Poppey Carew,** Mary Wesley	Black Swan	£ 3.95
10	**84 Charing Cross Road,** Helene Hanff	Futura	£ 2.50

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FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
☎ **Advance booking possible**

AN AMERICAN TAIL (U): The adventures of an immigrant mouse in New York, relayed in sturdy, old-fashioned animation by former Disney artist Don Bluth. The story, though, springs no surprises (81 min).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149), progs 1.15, 3.30, 5.45, 8.00.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.25, 8.30.
Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636), progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.15, 9.00.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). progs 1.15, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.
☎ **Plaza** (01-437 1234), progs 1.00, 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00.

■ **BLUE VELVET (18):** David Lynch's surreal tale about the placid surface of an American small town being violently ripped apart. Isabella Rossellini is the local siren, Dennis Hopper evil incarnate and Kyle MacLachlan a wholesome hero (120 min).
Camden Plaza (01-485 2443). Progs 1.25, 3.45, 6.10, 8.40.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.15.
☎ **Screen on Baker Street** (01-935 2772). Progs 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

CHRONICLE OF A DEATH FORETOLD (15): Rupert Everett plays a languid mystery man, newly arrived in a tropical village, whose marriage to a local beauty sets off a vengeful murder. Based on the novel by Gabriel Garcia Marquez (104 min).
☎ **Lumière** (01-836 0691). progs 1.50, 4.05, 6.25, 8.50.

EVIL DEAD II (18): A revised edition of the original film, in which demons attack all who cross the threshold of a remote cabin. With Bruce Campbell and Sarah Berry, directed by Sam Raimi (84 min).
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). progs 3.05, 5.00, 6.55, 8.50.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527), progs 2.40, 4.40, 6.45, 8.50.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310), progs 2.25, 4.30, 6.30, 8.45.
Cannon Royal (01-930 6915), progs 1.20, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.

A GREAT WALL (PG): Engaging look at clashing life styles, with director Peter Wang as the Chinese-American computer executive visiting Peking with his family (102 min).
☎ **Screen On The Hill** (01-435 3366). progs 2.40, 4.40, 7.00, 9.00.
Cannon Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148), progs 1.30, 3.45, 6.00, 8.20.

THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS (PG): Timothy Dalton follows in distinguished footsteps when he assumes the mantle of James Bond. A globe-trotting plot of East-West intrigue, embracing Gibraltar, Vienna, Tangier and Afghanistan. John Glen directs his fourth Bond film. (130 min).
☎ **Odeon Leicester Square** (01-930 6111). progs 10.30, 1.30, 4.30, 7.45, 11.15.
Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011), progs 2.00, 5.15, 8.15.

■ **MANNEQUIN (PG):** Directed by Michael Gottlieb, Mannequin tells the story of a sculptor, obsessed with one of his pieces of work on display in the window of a gallery (90 min).
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). progs 2.35, 4.35, 6.35, 8.40.
☎ **Cannon Panton Street** (01-930 0631). progs 3.00, 5.20, 7.35, 9.50.

■ **THE MORNING AFTER (15):** Unlikely thriller from Sidney Lumet, with Jane Fonda running away from a body into the arms of redneck Jeff Bridges (104 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096), progs 2.35, 5.50, 8.45.
☎ **Cannon Panton Street** (01-930 0631), progs 2.20, 4.55, 7.25, 9.55.

■ **THE NAME OF THE ROSE (18):** Simplified edition of Umberto Eco's medieval murder mystery, filmed with a fine sense of atmosphere and a grotesque carnival of characters. Directed by Jean-Jacques Annaud: with Sean Connery (131 min).
☎ **Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue** (01-836 6279). Progs 2.15, 5.30, 8.15.

■ **PERSONAL SERVICES (18):** Terry Jones's outrageous comedy, inspired by the life of Cynthia Payne, stars Julie Walters as the London madam (105 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.00.
☎ **Plaza Lower Regent Street** (01-437 1234, cc 01-240 7200). Progs 1.15, 3.45, 6.15, 8.45.

POLICE ACADEMY IV: CITIZENS ON PATROL (PG): Further lame adventures of the oddball police force from the hit comedy of 1984, with Steve Guttenberg, Bubba Smith and Michael Winslow. Directed by Jim Drake (87 min).
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791), progs 1.10, 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 8.55.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527), progs 1.10, 3.05, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00.
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149), progs 2.45, 5.45, 8.30.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.35, 8.40.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636), progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.20, 8.45.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310), progs 2.15, 4.15, 6.25, 8.30.

RAISING ARIZONA (15): Crazy black comedy from the Blood Simple team, Joel and Ethan Coen, with Nicolas Cage and Holly Hunter as a cockeyed couple who try setting up as a family with a stolen baby (94 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096), progs 2.45, 6.00, 8.55.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527), progs 1.40, 3.55, 6.15, 8.35.
Cannon Tottenham Road (01-636 6148), progs 1.50, 4.00, 6.10, 8.25.
☎ **Screen On The Green** (01-226 3520). progs 3.15, 5.05, 7.05, 9.05.

THE SECRET OF MY SUCCESS (PG): Michael J Fox climbs Big Apple's business ladder with the help of deception and Helen Slater Comedy for aspiring yuppies with an unrefined sense of humour (111 min).
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). progs 1.30, 3.50, 6.15, 8.36.
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149), progs 2.15, 5.15, 8.00.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636), progs 2.20, 5.20, 8.50.

WHITE OF THE EYE (18): A thriller piled high with flashbacks, red herrings and stylistic trickery. David Keith plays the husband suspected of many murders (111 min).
Cannon Premiere (01-439 4470), progs 1.10, 3.25, 5.40, 7.55, 10.10.

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

☆ **DAVIDSON/DAVIDSON:** Tracy Davidson, soprano, sings Haydn, Schubert, Brahms, Fauré, Debussy and Crawley. Thomas Davidson accompanies.
St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839 1930), 1.05-2pm, free.

EVENING

☆ **CONTEMPORARY BRITISH:** Oliver Knussen conducts the London Sinfonietta in contemporary British works such as excerpts from his own Where the Wild Things Are, Colin Matthews's Suns' Dance, Crosse's Dreamsongs and Birtwistle's Carmen Arcadiae Mechanicae Perpetuum.
Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212, cc 01-589 9465), 7.30pm, promenade — gallery £1.50, arena £2, seats — £3-£9.

☆ **LOCKE'S TEMPEST:** The Baroque Chamber Orchestra plays Locke's incidental music for The Tempest, Purcell's for The Double Dealer, Rebel's Les Elémens, Emma Kirkby sings Clérambault's La Muse de l'Opera Cantata, John Holloway conducts it all.
St John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (01-222 1061), 7.30pm, £3-£5.

☆ **IWAN LLEWELYN-JONES:** This pianist makes his London debut with Mozart's Sonata K 310, Scriabin's Sonata No 7, Chopin's Grande Polonaise Op 22, Franck's Prelude, Chorale and Fugue, and Ravel's Tombeau de Couperin.
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £2-£4.50.

☆ **SCANDINAVIAN LAMBETH:** Christopher Fifield conducts the Lambeth Orchestra in an all-Scandinavian programme with Grieg's Peer Gynt Suite No 1, Stenhammar's Symphony No 1 and Sibelius's Violin Concerto (Tasmin Little, soloist).
Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 7.45pm, £2-£6.

JAZZ

☆ **CRUSADERS/COREA:** Steering a gradual course from the rapids of hard bop to the shallows of jazz-funk, the Crusaders have been going for almost three decades, losing founder members overboard at intervals. Chick Corea appears with something he rather off-puttingly calls his "Elektric Band".
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 6.30pm and 9pm, £6-£12.50.

☆ **RANDY BRECKER:** Ubiquitous American trumpeter whose range runs from hard bop to hard funk.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, £8 (£2 members).

ROCK

★ **TERENCE TRENT D'ARBY:** After successes on the Simply Red tour and supporting David Bowie, the expatriate New York soul/rock singer undertakes a handful of headlining shows to promote his solid debut album Introducing The Hardline According To. Very much the man of the moment.
Studio, Frogmore Street, Bristol (0272 276193), 7.30pm, £5.

☆ **EDWIN STARR:** A nostalgic, almost non-stop medley show of soul and Tamla classics which finds the "War" and "SOS" troubadour supported by a competent backing band and in great vocal form. At a recent gig he berated the sound engineer for putting echo on his voice. "That's for people who can't sing".
Coco's, Hinton Road, Bournemouth (0202 24034), 9pm, £5.



Gilbert Spencer, the brother of Stanley and himself an artist, went through a phase of comic painting based on his experiences in the Lake District during the Second World War. As a member of the Home Guard he undertook the Dad's Army training which inspired such paintings as "Home Guard at Grasmere" (above), which dates from 1943. Gilbert was proud of his humorous drawings which, he stated in his memoirs, "were 'all out of me own 'ed', as Stan would say cockily of something of his he liked." Spencer was one of many artist tutors who was transferred with the Royal College of Art from blitz-torn London to Ambleside late in 1940. The departments of painting, sculpture, design and engraving were set up in garages and lofts and the staff and students established themselves at hotels: women at The Salutation, men at The Queen's. *The Artist As Evacuee* is an exhibition, organised by the Wordsworth Trust, of work done by staff and students during their four and a half years at Lake Windermere. Besides Gilbert Spencer's comic works, it includes Percy Horton's paintings of local people, landscape etchings by Robert Austin, and Charles Mahoney's paintings depicting college accommodation and views of Ambleside. The exhibition is on show at the Wordsworth Trust, Dove Cottage, Grasmere, Cumbria (09665 544), daily 9.30am-5.30pm, £1.25, until September 1.
David Lee

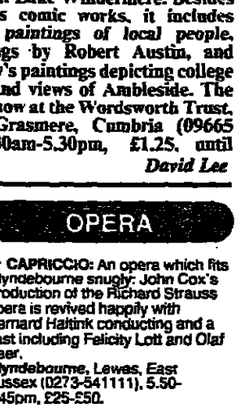
OPERA

☆ **CAPRICCIO:** An opera which fits Glyndebourne snugly: John Cox's production of the Richard Strauss opera is revived happily with Bernard Haitink conducting and a cast including Felicity Lott and Olaf Baer.
Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex (0273-541111). 5.50-9.45pm, £25-£50.

GALLERIES

PHILIP HUGHES: Landscape paintings based on experiences of the ceremonial sites of ancient culture in Scotland, Australia and South America.
Francis Kyle Gallery, 9 Maddox Street, London W1 (01-499-6870), Mon-Fri 10-6pm, Sat 11-5pm, free, until August 13.

FOUR SCULPTURES: See caption. **The Crypt,** St George's Church, Bloomsbury Way, London, WC1 (01-405 3044). today 5-8pm, then daily 10am-7pm, free, until August 1.



The wood sculpture "Seated Figure with Flowers and Fish" (above) is by John Fuller, one of four teachers from Hertfordshire College of Art and Design in St Albans who are exhibiting at St George's Church in Bloomsbury, London (see listing). The others are Barbara Lander, Gillian Singer and Diane Maclean. The spacious crypt of Hawksmoor's church was opened as a gallery two years ago by Father Michael Day, the chaplain of London's art colleges, and has since staged the first London exhibitions of several young artists.

OLD MASTER DRAWINGS: A superb portfolio ranging from works in tempera by followers of Giotto, through Raphael and Dürer, to breathtaking pastels and sketches by Symbolist Odilon Redon.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734-9052), daily 10-6pm, £2.50, until October 25.

WILLIAM TUCKER: Five large, amorphous sculptures, called Gods, by a prominent theorist of sculpture, who now lives in America.
Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (01-802-1313). Mon-Sat 10-5.50pm, Sun 2-5.50pm, free, until August 23.

THE BOYLE FAMILY: Areas of ground from city centre pavements to the Australian outback accurately recreated in resin and paint.
Museum of Modern Art, 30 Pembroke Street, Oxford (0865 726608). Tues-Sat 10-6pm, Sun 2-6pm, free, until July 26.

GILBERT AND GEORGE: 50 stridently colourful, self-advertising photo-panels by the *sol disant* Living Sculptures. Also Brilliant surrealist drawings by André Masson.
Hayward Gallery, South Bank Centre, London SE1 (01-261-0127), Mon-Wed 10-8pm, Thurs-Sat 10-6pm, Sun 12-6pm, £2.50, until September 27.

JACOB EPSTEIN (1880-1959): Drawings, including several fascinating illustrations to *Les Fleurs du Mal*, complementing the major retrospective at Whitechapel Art Gallery.
Boundary Gallery, 98 Boundary Road, London NW8 (01-624-1126). Tues-Sat 11-6pm, free, until July 25.

ANTHONY EARNSHAW: Selections from the last 40 years' work by a surrealist and social satirist on Northern life.
Cleveland Gallery, Victoria Road, Middlesbrough (0642-248155), Tues-Sat 12-7pm, free, until August 15.

DANCE

★ **POINTS IN SPACE:** Merce Cunningham's London season opens with British premieres of this and Grange Eve, plus Pictures, the biggest hit of their last time here.
Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1, (01-278 8916), 7.30-9.45pm, £3.50-£10.50.

☆ **DIVERTISSEMENT:** Eight short display numbers, plus Act II of Swan Lake and Act III of Coppelia, make up tonight's programme by advanced students and recent graduates of the Bolshoi Ballet School.
Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161) 7.30-10pm, £5-£22.50.

☆ **AMERICAN SUITE:** Final showings of extemporary dance theatre's stimulating programme by Viola Farber and David Gordon.
Guildhall School of Music and Drama, Barbican, London EC2 (01-236 2801) 7.30- 9.30pm, £5.

☆ **GISELLE:** Galina Samsova's traditional production for London City Ballet.
Mercury Theatre, Balkerne Gate, Colchester, (0206 573948), 7.30-9.30 pm, £3.50-£6.

SUMMER SALES

ROLAND CARTIER: Oxford Street, Knightsbridge and Brent Cross branches. Starts tomorrow.

TALKS

PARANORMAL PHENOMENA IN THE LIGHT OF MODERN SCIENCE: Open lecture by Dr Lawrence Leshan, experimental psychologist and author.
Institute for Complementary Medicine, 21 Portland Place London W1, 7.30pm, £5. (Information from David Lorimer, 0451 60448).

TWO-LEGGED OR FOUR-WHEELED: A G M of the Pedestrians Association, open to the public.
The Royal Entomological Society, 41 Queens Gate, London SW7 (01-584 8361), 6.30pm, free.

17TH CENTURY DRESS: Lecture by Imogen Stewart.
Victoria and Albert Museum (meet at the Cromwell Road entrance), South Kensington, London SW7 (01-589 6371), noon, free.

WALKS

INNS OF COURT — ENGLAND'S LEGAL HERITAGE: meet Chancery Lane tube, 11am, £2.50.

ROYAL LONDON: meet Westminster tube, 9.30am, £2.95.

SAMUEL PEPYS'S LONDON: meet Tower Hill tube, 2.30pm, £2.25.

GUIDED TOUR OF HISTORIC TWICKENHAM: meet Tourist Information Centre, Twickenham Library, 2.30pm, 50p.

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1880s EAST END PUB AND MURDER WALK — JACK THE RIPPER: meet Tower Hill tube, 7.30pm, £2.25.

OTHER EVENTS

EAST OF ENGLAND SHOW: Major agricultural show with competitions and judging in cattle, sheep and other livestock. Arena events, nursery tent, full catering and licenced bars.
East of England Showground, Peterborough (0733 234451). Until Thurs, 8am onwards, today and tomorrow adult £7 child £3, Thurs adult £5 child £2.

CHULMLEIGH OLD FAIR: Held under Royal Charter since 1253, the fair is officially opened by the Bishop of Crediton in a service at the parish church at 6.30pm tonight.
Chulmleigh, Devon.

PROVINCIAL BOOKSELLERS' FAIR: Quality antique and secondhand books, maps and prints.
London City Book Market, St Olave's Parish Hall, Mark Lane, London EC4, 10.30am-6pm, 20p.

GALLERY 2112: Five miniature galleries — each no more than a cubic metre in size — created by junior school children whose brief was to collect, label and display objects that they thought would become museum pieces in the year 2112.
Salisbury and South Wiltshire Museum, The King's House, The Close, Salisbury, Wiltshire (0722 332151), today until July 23, 10am-5pm.

POLKA WORKSHOPS: Music, stories, games and other entertainments for three to four-year-olds.
Polka Children's Theatre, 240 The Broadway, London SW19 — information from Jo Belloli, 01-543 3741, until Fri, 11am-12 noon, four-day fee £8.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

KENT OPERA AT THE SOUTH BANK: Weekend of talks, concerts and opera, tracing progression of the genre from 17th century to Mozart's rarely performed Il Re Pastore, and on to the contemporary A Night at the Chinese Opera, by Judith Weir. Sept 25-27.
Queen Elizabeth Hall and Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191 cc, 01-928 8800). Advance postal booking from today, general booking from Aug 4.

MASTERS OF INVENTION: First of four-part series of organ recitals features five extempore performers: Leo Krämer, Nigel Allcoat, Jan Jongepier, Gunnar Idenstam, with Martin Haselböck opening the series with a programme representing three centuries of Austrian organ music. Sept 30-Oct 28. Wednesdays at 5.55pm.
Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191 cc, 01-928 8800). Advance postal booking from today, general booking from Aug 4.

BALLET RAMBERT IN BATTERSEA PARK: Four programmes with eight ballets, including premieres of new works by Lynn Seymour and Richard Alston, at the Big Top in Battersea Park, Aug 4-15.
Big Top, Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066/1911).

LAST CHANCE

CITY OF LONDON FESTIVAL: Final week includes Scottish Chamber Orchestra with Barry Tuckwell (Thurs); Nash Ensemble in Guildhall Old Library (Fri); and New Dimensions programme at Guildhall School of Music and Drama, including Extemporary Dance Theatre in American Suite, by David Gordon and Viola Farber.
Box Office, St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4 (01-236 2801).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; Jazz: Richard Williams; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

ENTERTAINMENTS

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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.35 Edgar Kennedy (b/w) (r). **6.55** Weather.
7.00 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough, Sally Magnusson, Jeremy Paxman and Pamela Armstrong. National and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; regional news and travel reports at **7.15, 7.45** and **8.15**; weather at **7.25; 7.55 and 8.25.**
8.35 The Pink Panther Show. Three cartoons (r). **8.55** Regional news and weather.
9.00 News and weather.
9.05 Children's BBC introduced by Andy Crane. **Charlie Brown** (r). **9.30 Why Don't You ..?** (r).
10.00 News and weather. **10.05 Neighbours** (r).
10.25 Play School presented by Jane Hardy, with guests Iain Lauchlan and Johnny Ball. Followed by *The Perishers* featuring Leonard Rossiter (r).
10.55 Five to Eleven with children from Byron Court Junior School.
11.00 News and weather. **11.05 King of the Rocket Men** (b/w). Part five of this cliffhanging serial. Followed by **Cartoon.**
11.35 Model World. Bob Symes-Schutzmann looks at model power boats — from warships, tugs and liners to high-speed racing launches (r).
12.00 News and weather. **12.05 Dallas.** *Will Sue Ellen succumb to* JR's advances? (r). **12.55 Regional News** and weather.
1.00 One O'Clock News with Debbie Thrower.
***1.25 Neighbours. 1.50 Film:* The Bells of St Mary's** (1945 b/w). Sequel to *Going My Way* starring Bing Crosby as the priest and Ingrid Bergman as the mother superior intent on finding new accommodation for a run-down school. Directed by Leo McCarey.
3.50 Osprey Watch. Roy Dennis presents live coverage from the highlands of Scotland of some osprey chicks' first flight.
4.10 The Kwicky Koala Show. Cartoon series (r). **4.35 Wizbit.** Last in the series starring Paul *Daniels (r).*
5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Eureka. A lighthearted look at everyday inventions. **5.35 Hard Hat and Hadley.** Keith Chegwin discovers how to sit properly on a horse and discusses showjumping styles with Steve Hadley.
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 No Place Like Home. The Crabtree family are asked to star in a school video (r) (Ceefax).
7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax).
8.00 Juliet Bravo. When Inspector Kate Longton investigates two incidents concerning a butcher and a pathologist, she suspects an animal rights group may be involved in both (r) (Ceefax).
8.50 Points of View with Anne Robinson.
9.00 Nine O'Clock News.
9.30 Traitor. Retrospective of Dennis Potter's television work continues with a 1971 play *starring John Le Mesurier* as a British double agent attempting to explain to Western journalists the reasons for his defection (r).
10.30 Jasper Carrott — Stand Up America. Young comic talent from New York's The Comic Strip and The Improv in Los Angeles includes Emo Philips, Marsha Warfield, Mike McDonald and Bill Kirchenbauer.
11.00 Ken Hom's Chinese Cookery. Ken Hom demonstrates two vegetable dishes (r).
11.25 Late Night in Concert: Simply Red. Anne Nightingale introduces highlights of the Mancunian group's concert at last year's *Montreux Jazz Festival (r).*
11.55 Weather, closedown.

BBC2

6.55 Open University. Geochemical Mapping. Ends **7.20.**
9.00 Ceefax.
12.30 Nuclear Weapons: Inquiry, Analysis and Debate. How the superpowers manage confrontations. **12.55 Third World Studies.** Agriculture in *the Indian state of Bihar.* **1.20 Pigeon Street** (r).
1.35 Polymer Engineering.
2.00 News and weather. Followed by **Ceefax.**
3.00 News and weather. Followed by **Voyage of the Heroes** written and narrated by Libby Purves (r).
3.40 In the Making (r).
4.00 News and weather, followed by **Regional News** and weather.
4.05 Film: Feet First (1930 b/w). Classic Harold Lloyd comedy about a frightened salesman's misadventures. Includes his most famous daredevil stunt. Directed by Clyde Bruckman.
5.25 The Man Who Invented the 20th Century. Charles Parsons, steam turbine inventor (r).
6.00 No Limits. Jenny Powell and Tony Baker present this week's rock show from Whitley Bay.
6.50 Tricks of the Trade. Remedies, tips, cures and hints to save time and make life easier. Debbie *Greenwood and Paul Coia are* assisted by Russell Grant, Cyril Smith MP and John Carter.
7.20 Animal Squad. Second in a series of six programmes about the RSPCA includes the rescue of a giant terrapin from a disused power station (r) (Ceefax).
7.50 Food and Drink Summer Quiz. Among those testing their culinary knowledge are cooks Michael Barry and Michael Smith, with guests Alison Dowling *and Martin Jarvis (Ceefax).*
8.20 Chopsticks, Bulldozers and Newcastle Brown. See Choice.
9.00 Film: Build My Gallows High (1947 b/w). Moody thriller starring Robert Mitchum, Jane Greer and Kirk Douglas. An ex-private detective cannot escape his past and becomes embroiled in double-dealings and murder. Directed by Jacques Tourneur.
10.35 Newsnight.
11.20 Weatherview. 11.30 Open University. Geology: Deserts. *Ends at* **12.00.**

ITV/LONDON

6.15 TV-am *introduced by Kay* Burley and Richard Keys. Weather at **6.28** and **6.58**; news at **6.30**; financial news at **6.35**; sport at **6.40**; and exercises at **6.55.**
7.00 Good Morning Britain presented by Jayne Irving and Richard Keys. News at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** and **9.00**; cartoon at **7.25**; sport at **7.40**; pop music at **7.55**; and postbag with Gyles Brandreth at **8.35.** After Nine includes Russell Grant's Sun Signs With The Stars.
9.25 Thames news headlines.
9.30 Stingray. Puppet series (r).
10.00 Golden Pennies. Second episode of the drama series set in Australia in the 1850s (r).
10.30 University Challenge. Hughes Hall Cambridge meet University of Essex.
11.00 Tickle on the Tum (r). **11.10 Rainbow** (r) (Oracle).
11.25 Thames news headlines.
11.30 About Britain reports on a field *sports fair held at Newmachar,* Aberdeenshire, during the hottest weekend of last summer.
12.00 The Sullivans. 12.30 ITN News. 12.50 Thames News.
1.00 Film: Africa — Texas Style (1967). John Mills stars as an English settler in Kenya using Texan methods to preserve wildlife. Directed by Andrew Marton.
3.00 Arthur C Clarke's World of Strange Powers. Is it possible to predict the future? Narrated by Anna Ford (r).
3.25 Thames News headlines.
3.30 The Young Doctors. Medical drama serial set in a large Australian city hospital.
4.00 Children's ITV: The Giddy Game Show with Bernard Bresslaw. **4.10 James the Cat** goes to the dentist (r). **4.20 She-Ra, Princess of Power.** Cartoon. **4.45 Splash Special.** Mark Widdowson, Sheffield's *youngest conservation* campaigner, investigates acid rain pollution. **5.15 Survival.** A report on the Impeyan, Nepal's national bird; and the efforts being made to save it. **5.45 News.**
6.00 Thames News.
6.30 The Roxy. Pop music programme presented by David *Jensen and Kevin Sharkey.*
7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Annie has a difficult decision to make.
7.30 Another Side of London. First of a series of seven documentaries made by young directors reflecting an unknown or unfamiliar aspect of London. Alice Harper investigates the London rat.
8.00 Highway to Heaven. When a college baseball star's dreams are shattered, Jonathan sets him on a new course.
9.00 *The Bill. Sun Hill* Police Station's latest recruit causes friction; and there are personality clashes in the CID offices (r) (Oracle).
10.00 *News at Ten followed by* **Thames News** headlines.
10.30 Viewpoint 87: United in Fury. Report on the plight of Britain's disabled people, two-thirds of whom are living on or below the poverty line.
11.30 Film: They Made Him a Criminal (1979). Giancarlo Giannini and Ornella Mutti star in a drama about a taxi driver accused of conspiracy against the State. Directed by Grigoris Ciukhrai.
1.30 Nashville Swing with guest Johnny Rodriquez.
2.00 News Headlines followed by **The Streets of San Francisco** (1972). A body is found floating *in the bay;* Mike Stone *and his* assistant investigate the murder. Introductory film for the TV police series stars Karl Malden, Robert Wagner and Michael Douglas. Directed by Walter Grauman. Ends at **3.50.**

CHANNEL 4

2.10 Their Lordships' House (r).
2.25 Film: Night Nurse (1931 b/w). Thriller starring Barbara Stanwyck *as the private nurse* who discovers a sinister murder plot involving her two young charges. With Clark Gable in an early screen appearance. Directed by William A Wellman.
3.45 Years Ahead. Robert Dougall examines the generation gap.
4.30 Countdown. Today's challenger in the words and numbers game is Audrey Marsden. Cartoonist Bill Tidy is in charge of the dictionary.
5.00 Bewitched. Vintage American *comedy starring Elizabeth* Montgomery, Dick York and Agnes Moorehead.
5.30 The Pocket Money Programme. Financial advice for the young (r).
6.00 Symphony. Last of the three-part documentary series focuses on one of the country's most acclaimed regional orchestras, the Northern Sinfonia; and asks whether they find there is a conflict of interests in fulfilling regional and national commitments (r).
6.30 Tour de France 1987. Stage 20, the 201km ride from Villard-de-Lans to L'Alpe d'Huez.
7.00 Channel 4 News.
7.50 Comment. Jeremy Mahrer expresses a personal view about the 2CV car. Followed by weather.
8.00 Brookside.
8.30 Moneyspinner returns to Stoke-on-Trent for the last of the present series. Douglas Moffitt reports on a Personal Equity Plan; Sally Hawkins investigates job sharing.
9.00 Film: Not in Front of the Children (1982). Linda Gray stars *as the mother involved in a* court-room battle over custody of her children in this made-for-television film, based on a true story and directed by Joseph Hardy.
10.50 Sounds of Surprise. See Choice.
11.55 Film: The Unseeing Eye (1959 b/w). Another action thriller from the *Scotland Yard* series, introduced by Edgar Lustgarten. Directed by Geoffrey Muller.
12.25 The Lordships' House. Ends at **12.45.**

Miles ahead, musically

TELEVISION CHOICE



The American trumpeter Miles Davis, whose life and work are the subject of a Channel 4 documentary (10.50pm)

● "What can I say about the instrument?", says Miles Davis. "It's my voice". Since his real voice is a husky growl from somewhere deep inside his throat, listening to his trumpet is by far the more enjoyable experience. Fortunately there is a lot of trumpet playing in **Sounds of Surprise** (Channel 4, 10.50pm), the first of six films about the giants of modern jazz. The interview with Davis is claimed to be the first he has given on film. But many of his remarks are no more revealing than "I'm just a musician", and it is left to others to fill out the portrait. With a supporting cast that includes Dizzy Gillespie, Gil Evans, Wayne Shorter and Keith Jarrett there is no lack of first-hand material. Davis once asked Jarrett: "Do you know why I don't play ballads any more?". Jarrett sought the answer. "Because I love playing ballads so much". This cryptic exchange embodies the theme of the programme. Davis's ability constantly to change and be ahead. Davis himself talks about his liberation from the microphone, so that he can roam the stage as the mood takes him. Others mention his bold switch to electric instruments. The outward style has certainly altered. In the oldest surviving concert footage, from 1959, *Davis is a cleancut young man* in a neat suit, light years away from his present incarnation as a sort of ageing hippy. The director, Marc Obenhaus, an American winner of two Emmy awards, gives full rein both to contributors and film. *Instead of paltry "clips", he* provides long excerpts and, in the end, what matters about a musician is not what he says, or what others say about him, but the sound he makes.

● "They live to work and we work to live", says a shrewd Geordie supervisor employed by the Japanese bulldozer company, Komatsu. **Chopsticks, Bulldozers and Newcastle Brown** (BBC2, 8.20pm) is a three-part look at whether, and how, the twain will meet. Komatsu came to Tyneside to take over a derelict factory from an American company who found British labour relations too much to handle. *The locals have grown cynical* about these foreign invasions, calling them the seagull syndrome: "They take your food, drop their mess and fly away". If Komatsu and the Brits are to make a go of it, attitudes will have to change. Team work is stressed over individualism. Overtime is expected and not paid for. Loyalty to the company comes before everything. The British supervisors go to Japan to learn the ropes. They teach their hosts to sing the Bladon Races. The Komatsu men respond with their company song which is about the virtues of flexibility and teamwork. One manager says he has four weeks' holiday owing from last year but will probably not take them because the production line *needs to keep moving. Back* on Tyneside our Geordies try to practise what the Japanese have preached, but the omens are not good. Is Komatsu just another seagull, picking up the food and dropping its mess? Or will the British workers knuckle down and be loyal and sing songs about flexibility and teamwork?

Peter Waymark

The funny side of the street

RADIO CHOICE



Mary Wimbush in Porch Songs (R3, 9.50pm)

● My thanks to Lesley Bruce, *who penned tonight's Radio 3* play **Porch Songs** (9.50pm), for saving me the effort of trying to encapsulate its odd-ball character. It is, she says, "an *a capella* comedy in six-part harmony, with parrot". It is certainly that, but not only that. There is also that little matter of the dog called Thatcher, not to mention several choruses of "Plaisirs d'amour" for piano and widow's voice. Miss Bruce is using the word "harmony" loosely, if not downright ironically, because a less harmonious bunch of characters than those who people Acacia Avenue, her suburban street, would be hard to imagine. Even Thatcher, owned by a neighbour with his eye on the main chance (the aforementioned widow), has constantly to be told to "get down!". Given the acrimonious nature of the principal dilemma in *Porch Songs* — will the widow be able to repossess her terrace house which her tenants have locked themselves into? — it might not seem entirely appropriate to you that the song that rounds off the play is "On the Sunny Side of the Street". But Miss Bruce manages to find the community spirit at work in the most unlikely circumstances, and the end result is 60 minutes of unorthodox fun. The cast is packed with veteran performers, including Pauline Letts as the locked-out widow and Mary Wimbush as the other widow of *Acacia Avenue,* the one with the parrot, eavesdropping from behind her lace curtains.

● Eavesdropping is also much resorted to in Alison Richards's **A Tradition of Sympathy** (Radio 4, 8.00pm), except that here, the cocked ear is that of the programme's sound recording engineer who, in the tried and tested tradition of the radio montage feature, totally displaces the customary interviewer. This five-part documentary about the staff and patients of the Middlesex Hospital in London begins on a heart-tugging note, in the children's ward. There is a jolly-sounding consultant paediatrician whose morale-boosting impact on the ward must be considerable because he keeps saying things like "Super!", and "Marvellous!" and tells one of his underweight charges who has managed to put on some ounces: "You are a star!" And there is the moment that could not have been better done if it had been scripted, when one little lad whose veins are so thin that the nurse cannot find anywhere to put the needle in, momentarily becomes a wordly-wise adult and tells the professional how to do his job. No doubt about it, *A Tradition of Sympathy* has made a compelling start.

Peter Davalle



Debbie Greenwood, Paul Coia (BBC2, 6.50pm)

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today **6.35-7.00** The Royal Show **11.55-12.00** News and weather **SCOTLAND:** 6.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland **NORTHERN IRELAND:** 5.35 Today's Sport **5.40-6.00** Inside Ulster **6.35-7.00** Go For It **11.55** News and weather **ENGLAND:** 6.35-7.00 Regional news magazines.

ANGLIA As London except:12.00-12.30pm Link **12.50pm** News **1.00** Randall and Hopkirk (Deceased) **2.00** California Highways **2.30-3.00** Whose Baby? **5.15-5.45** Emmerdale Farm **6.00** About Anglia **6.35** Crossroads **7.00** Survival **7.30-8.00** The Roxy **11.30** Connie **12.30am** Tuesday Topic, Closedown.

BORDER As London except:12.50pm News **1.00-3.00** Film: Fiendish Plot of Dr Fu Manchu **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **5.15-5.45** Party with the Rovers **6.00** Lookaround **6.35-7.00** Crossroads **7.30** The Roxy **8.00-9.00** Falcon Crest **11.30** Mysteries of Edgar Wallace' **12.40am** Closedown

CENTRAL As London except:12.00-12.30pm *Gardening Time* **12.50** News **1.00** Family Playhouse **2.00** Californian Highways **1.30-3.00** Terrahawks **5.15-5.45** Easy Street **6.00-6.30** News **7.30** Please, Sir! **8.00-9.00** Falcon Crest **11.30** America's Top Ten **12.00** Magnum **12.56am** Film: Last Video and Testament **2.20** Contact **2.50** News.

CHANNEL As London except:12.00-12.30pm Glenroe **1.00** Country Practice **1.30** Sullivans **2.00-3.00** The Baron **5.15-5.45** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Channel Report **6.20** Canadian Documentary **6.30** Emmerdale Farm **7.00** The Roxy **7.30** Grand Tour **8.00-9.00** Murder, She Wrote **11.30** Silk Road **12.25am** Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except:12.00-12.30pm *Link* **12.50** *News* **1.00** Blackie's Magic **2.30-3.00** Moviemakers **5.15-5.45** Emmerdale Farm **6.00** North Tonight **6.35** Crossroads **7.00** America's Top Ten **7.30** The Roxy **8.00-9.00** Falcon Crest **11.30** Hart to *Hart* **12.30am** *News, Closedown.*

GRANADA As London except:12.50pm Granada Reports **1.00** Blackie's Magic **2.00-3.00** Liechtenstein: A Princely Heritage **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **5.15-5.45** ALF **6.00** Granada Reports **6.25** This is Your Right **6.30-7.00** Crossroads **7.30** The Roxy **8.00-9.00** Falcon Crest **11.30** Special Squad **12.25am** Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except:12.50pm News **1.00** Blondie Meets the Boss' **2.15-3.00** Short Story Theatre **5.15-5.45** Terrahawks **6.00** News **6.35-7.00** Crossroads **7.30** The Roxy **8.00-9.00** Falcon Crest **11.30** Police Precinct **12.30am** Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except:6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six.

TSW As London except:12.00-12.30pm Link **12.50** News **1.00** Outsiders **2.00** Leave it to Mrs O'Brien **2.30-3.00** Whose Baby? **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **5.15-5.45** Crossroads **6.00** Today **6.30** Tuesday View **7.00** The Roxy **7.30** Newhart **8.00-9.00** Murder, She Wrote **11.30** Postscript **11.35** Hammer House of *Horror* **12.31am** Closedown.

TVS As London except:12.00-12.30pm Glenroe **12.50** News **1.00** Country Practice **1.30** Sullivans **2.00-3.00** The Baron **5.15-5.45** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Coast to Coast **6.30** Emmerdale Farm **7.00** The Roxy **7.30** Grand Tour **8.00-9.00** Murder, She Wrote **11.30** Silk Road **12.25am** Company, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except:12.50pm News **1.00** Poseidon Files **1.55** Home Cookery **2.00-3.00** Outsiders **5.15-5.45** Look Who's Talking **6.00-6.30** Northern Life **7.30** Easy Street **8.00-9.00** Falcon Crest **11.30** Kit Curran **12.00** God's Top Ten, Close

ULSTER As London except:12.50pm Lunchtime **1.00** The Hide-Out **2.00** Wonders of the Underwater World **2.30-3.00** Short Story Theatre **3.30-4.00** Clegg's People **5.15-5.45** ALF **6.00** Summer Edition **6.15** Dairy Dates **6.25** Cartoons **6.35-7.00** Crossroads **7.30** The Roxy **8.00-9.00** Falcon Crest **11.30** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **12.00** Victorian Values **12.25am** News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except:12.00-12.30pm Lunchtime Live **12.50** News **1.00** Film: Abominable Snowman' **2.35** Lifestyles **3.00** Turning the Tide **3.30-4.00** Country Practice **5.15-5.45** Arthur C Clarke's World of Strange Powers **6.00** Calendar **6.35-7.00** Crossroads **7.30** The Roxy **8.00-9.00** Murder, She Wrote **11.30** New Avengers **12.30am** Jobfinder **1.30** Closedown.

S4C Starts:12.30pm Their Lordship's House **12.45** Film: *Intermezzo: A Love Story'* **2.00** Countdown **2.30** Crown and Shamrock **3.00** Born Free **4.00** Bewitched' **4.25** Rebecca **4.30** Ffalabalam **4.40** SuperTed **4.50** Ar Drywydd y Mor-Farch **5.15** Cartoon **5.30** Abracadabra **6.00** Hogan's Heroes' **6.30** *Tour de France* **7.00** Newyddion Saith **7.30** Chwiffen Ein Banen **8.00** Flight of the Windhorse **9.05** Byd Cerdd **9.35** Newhan **10.05** People to People **11.05** Eleventh Hour **12.30am** Closedown.

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5.30am Adrian John **7.00** Simon Mayo **9.30** Andy Peebles **11.00** *Radio 1 Roadshow* **12.30** Newsbeat **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** Bruno Brookes **7.30** Janice Long **10.00-12.00** John Peel. **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2:- **4.00am** As Radio 2 **10.00pm** As Radio 1. **12.00-4.00am** As Radio 2.

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
News on the hour. Sports round-up **8.50.** Cricket scoreboard **7.32pm.**
4.00am Colin Berry **5.30** Ray Moore **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05pm** Cliff Morgan **2.05** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Adrian Love **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** *Jazz Classics in Stereo (Joe "King"* Oliver). **7.35** BBC Radio Orchestra **9.25** *Double Tops* (Layton and Johnstone) **10.00** The Good Human Guide **10.30** On The Air *(radio quiz)* **11.00** *Round Midnight* **1.00am** Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST **6.00** Newsdesk **6.30** Counterpoint **7.00** News **7.09** Twenty-four Hours **7.30** The Editors **7.45** *Network UK* **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Characters at Court **8.30** New Music **9.00** News **9.09** Review of British Press **9.15** World Today **9.30** Financial News followed by Look Ahead **9.45** Proms Review **10.00** News **10.01** Elements of Music **10.30** Londres Midi **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** Waveguide **11.25** A Letter from Scotland **11.30** Sports **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** Multitrack 1 **12.45** Sports *1.00 News 1.09 Twenty-four Hours* **1.30** Network UK **1.45** Recording of the Week **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Musical Times Past **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** A Jolly Good Show **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary **4.15** English by Radio **4.45** Londres Soir **5.30** Heute Aktuel From **7.00** Promenade Concerts **7.40** Stock Market **7.45** Report on Religion **8.00** News **8.09** Twenty-four Hours **8.30** Omnibus **9.00** News **9.01** Dancing a Hornpipe in Fetters **9.10** Book Choice **9.15** From the Proms **10.00** News *10.09 World* Today **10.25** A Letter from Scotland **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** New Waves on Shortwave **11.30** A Word in Edgeways **12.00** News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Omnibus **1.00** News **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Report on Religion **1.45** Country Style **2.00** News **2.09** Review of British Press **2.15** Sounding Brass **2.30** Red Shoes **3.00** News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** World Today **3.30** Six Four Eight **3.40** Financial News **3.45** Morgenmagazin **4.45** World Today **5.00** News **5.09** Twenty-four Hours **5.30** Londres Matin.

Radio 3

6.35 Open University. Arts; *women (2)*
6.55 Weather **7.00** News
7.05 Morning Concert: Berlioz (*Le Carnaval romain* overture: Berlin PO under *Lorin Maazel), Schumann (Allegro de Concerto* with Introduction in D minor, Op 134: Pascal Devoyon, piano and New PO under Theodor *Guschlbauer), Bruch (Scottish* Fantasy: Cho-Liang lin (violin) with Chicago SO under Leonard Slatkin).
8.00 News
8.05 *Concert (continued):* Balakirev (Islamey oriental fantasia: Bavarian RSO under Esa-Pekka Salonen), Tchaikovsky (My genius, my *angel, my friend: A tear* quivers: Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, baritone with Aribert Reimann, piano), Shostakovich (Two pieces for string quartet: Fitzwilliam Quartet), Vainberg (Symphony No 4: Moscow PO under Kirill Kondrashin).
9.00 World Service News
9.10 This Week's Composer: J S Bach. Concerto in A minor for violin and strings, BWV 1051 (Amsterdam Baroque Orchestra under Ton Koopman, with Monica Huggett, violin), Fugue in G minor, BWV 1000 (Nigel North, lute), Cantata No 110 (Collegium Aureum, Tolzer Knabenchor, and soloists Hinterreiter, Stein, Altmeyer and Nimsgern)
10.00, Stanford and Dvorak: BBC Northern Singers, with John Scott (organ). Stanford (Magnificat, Op 164), Dvorak (Mass in D, Op 86)
11.00 The Six Senses: prose, music,verse on the theme of sight. Performed by The Barrow Poets (r)
11.15 Allan Schiller (piano). Mozart (Sonata in B flat, K 570), Schumann (Papillons), *Schubert (Fantasy in C, D* 760, The Wanderer)
12.15 BBC Scottish SO in Shetland, under Jerzy Maksymiuk. Part one. Borodin (In the Steppes of Central Asia), David Ward (Jack's Engagement: Prelude, Act 3), Wagner (*Siegfried* Idyll). **1.00** News
1.05 Concert (part two). Sibelius (Symphony No 1)
1.50 Guitar Encores: Leo Witoszynskyj plays Castelnuovo-Tedesco's Caprice diabolico: and Mario Nardelli's Agave: Folklore Impression No 1
2.10 Vaughan Williams in his Time: Vaughan Williams (Sinfonia Antartica: Hallé under Barbirolli), Rossini (Semiramide overture); and Delius's Fennimore and *Gerda intermezzo (Hallé* under Barbirolli); Haydn (Symphony No 6: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields under Neville Marriner)
3.35 *Bach Cantatas: the nos* 157 and 183 (Ich lasse dich nicht, du segnest mich denn; and Sie werden euch in den Bann tun). With *Steinitz Bach Players under* Steinitz, soloists Patrizia Kwella, Paul Esswood, Ian Partridge, Stephen Varcoe and John Constable (organ)
4.15 *Purcell: the Purcell Quartet* play the first six of the 12 sonatas in three parts written in 1683
5.00 World Service News
5.10 Mainly for Pleasure: recorded music selection, presented by Edward Blakeman. **5.55** News
7.00 Bernart de Ventadorn. Martin Best performs songs by the man who was troubadour to the court of Eleanor of Aquitaine
7.30 Proms 87: from Royal Albert Hall, London *Sinfonetta* under Oliver Knussen, with Rosemary Hardy (soprano). Part one. Harrison Birtwistle (Carmen Arcadiae Mechanicae); Colin Matthews (Suns Dance), Knussen (Songs and a Sea Interlude: The Wild Rumpus,from Where the Wild Things Are. In the interval, composers whose works feature in tonight's Prom talk to Michael Berkeley about their association with Britten and the Aldeburgh Festival
8.45 Proms (continued): Gordon Crosse (Dreamsongs), Benjamin Britten (Death in *Venice suite)*
9.50 Porch Songs: play by Lesley Bruce, with Pauline Letts as the widow who is locked out of her terraced house. Music by Harvey and the Wallbangers. Cast also includes Graham Crowden (see Choice) (r)
10.50 A Musical Unicorn: David Roblou performs on the pedalboard harpsichord. Works by Bach, Frescobaldi, and Buxtehude
11.20 First Night: a review of a new production by Robert Cushman
11.30 Music and Sweet Poetry: Consort of Musicke under Anthony Rooley perform English madrigals by Luca Marenzio (including Fair shepherd's queene; Alas, *what a wretched life this is;* and How long with vayne complayning)
11.57 News **12.00** Closedown

Radio 4

LF (long wave). (s) Stereo on VHF.
5.55 *Shipping forecast* **6.00** News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Farming **6.25** Prayer
6.30 Today, incl **6.30, 7.30, 8.30** News **6.45** Business *News* **6.55, 7.55** *Weather;* Travel **7.00, 8.00** News **7.20** Letters **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.35** Yesterday in *Parliament* **8.57** *Weather;* Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Call Nick Ross. 01-580 4411. Lines open from **8.00am**
10.00 News; From Our Own Correspondent. Life and politics abroad, reported by BBC reporters on the spot
10.30 Morning Story. Giving and Taking by Liz Windebank. The reader is Rosalind Knight
10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 54) (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Thirty Minute Theatre. Suddenly Unlike Bach by Lee Gallagher. The suicide of a man called Bach (Derek Halligan) on the steps of the Wellington Monument in Dublin's Phoenix Park, leave two close friends (Stephen Brennan and Mary Ryan) with obsessive memories that will not go away. (s)
11.32 The Living World. Brave New World. Jeremy Cherfas investigates the new genetically altered organisms which have been released into the environment in America
12.00 News; You And Yours. *Working parents and* income support
12.25 Brain of Britain 1987 (semi-final). London and South. The contestants are Ray Ward, Brian Evans, Philip Evans, and Robin Gordon Walker (s) **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World At One. News
1.40 The Archers **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour with Sue MacGregor. Jenny Cuffe meets some children who have been famous for a day. Also the second instalment of Just You Wait and See, read by Shirley Dixon
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. Package Bwanas by Guy Slater. With Brenda Blethyn and Richard Durden as the couple who, regarding *themselves as* compassionate liberals, find their ideals subjected to strange pressures when *they take a holiday in west* Africa (s)
4.00 News
4.05 Forest Frontier (4). Anthony Smith accompanies the medical pioneers who are working to lessen the *effects of bites from* Amazonian insects
4.30 Kaleidoscope. Another chance to hear last night's edition, which included comment on the Royal Shakespeare Company production of They Shoot Horses, Don't They? at the Mermaid Theatre: and Paul Griffiths on the selected letters of Debussy (r)
5.00 PM. News magazine **5.50** Shipping **5.55-6.00** Weather
6.00 News; Financial report
6.30 My Word! Panel game, with Antonia Fraser, Dilys Powell, Frank Muir and Denis Norden. The questionmaster: Michael O'Donnell (s)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 *File on 4. Max Easterman* reports on child sexual abuse and the problems of diagnosis
8.00 A Tradition of Sympathy *(new series). Eavesdropping* on the wards,clinics and corridors of London's Middlesex Hospital.(1). A family affair. Lifein the *children's ward (Choice)*
8.30 The Mormon Conquest. Ian Bradley goes to the Mormon church in Preston where there is the world's *oldest continuous Mormon* congregation.
9.15 In Touch. For the visually handicapped and their families
9.45 *Kaleidoscope. Tonight's* line-up includes Helen Flint's book Return Journey and thec new film Black Widow.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime. Cannery Row by John Steinbeck (2 of 10). The reader is William Roberts **10.29** Weather
10.30 The World Tonight.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Today in Parliament
12.00 News; Weather

VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: **5.55-6.00am** Weather; Travel **1.55-2.00pm** Listening Corner (s) **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30-12.10am** Open University **11.30** Open Forum **11.50** Arts: Leisure

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Big business support flows in for revival of inner cities

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

The Government has been inundated with offers from some of the country's biggest companies to participate in the inner cities' revival programme. Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said yesterday.

"We have had tremendous response, more than we could have hoped for, and it is still early days. I am hoping that we can end up with a very much private sector-led initiative."

In an interview with *The Times*, Lord Young made clear the Government's intention not to pump any more money into the inner cities but to seek "better value" for the funds already committed

Throwing money at the problem of inner-city decay would not work. "Money on its own is not the answer; money kills, it does not cure. What we have to do is to get to the people", he said.

Lord Young denied that there had been rifts between ministers and Whitehall departments over control of the inner-city programme. "Nicholas (Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment) and I have not had one cross word and we are totally agreed about what we are doing", he said.

Pride in inner-city redevelopment would come from people working for themselves, having ownership in what they were doing. Lord Young added: "As the economy restores itself, as we get back to the kind of economy I have not seen in my lifetime and as we reduce tax rates and get away from the concept that the state does everything for you, so more and more private sector companies are coming forward to do things."

Lord Young said there was now a genuine desire by companies to put back a growing proportion of their wealth into the community and the lower the tax rates, the more the incentive.

The Government's three-sided concept was that buildings on their own were not enough to revive inner cities, nor was training through the Manpower Services Commission.

Lord Young has ordered a re-think of his department's role and arranged a meeting of his ministers in October to finalise a new strategy based not, he says, on a return to an interventionist role for government in industry, but on a continuing drive to make business more aware of industrial concepts, the profit potential of good design and export services offered by government agencies.



Sitting pretty: Galina Stepanyenko, one of the Moscow Ballet's youngest prima ballerinas.



Stepanyenko showing off her "fantastic technique".



Sofia Golovnika: impressed.

The Bolshoi's brilliant pupil

By Ruth Gledhill

Brilliant young Russian dancer Galina Stepanyenko is due to step out on to the stage of the London Coliseum tonight in the opening of a six-week British tour by the Bolshoi Ballet Academy.

Stepanyenko, one of the youngest ballerinas ever to dance as a prima ballerina with the Moscow Classical Ballet, was the personal pupil of the Bolshoi Academy's director Sofia Golovnika from the age of nine.

Now aged 20, she is considered remarkable in the Soviet Union because she manages to combine talent with a strong personality.

She is one of a group of 16 to 23-year-old students from the Moscow school, home to the USSR's ballet stars of the future.

"She has a fantastic, brilliant technique and is extremely varied in the moves she can present," said Golovnika in a break in last night's rehearsals.

"Her movements are fluid and she is absolutely in love with ballet. She lives through her dancing. She is not whimsical or capricious. She has won many awards in international competitions and graduated from the academy with the top gold award."

Golovnika, herself a former ballet star from a generation of Russian dancers that included Igor Moyseyev and Olga Lepeshinskaya, has run the academy for the past 28 years.

The school, which last visited Britain more than 20 year ago, is due to open tonight in a gala performance in front of the Duchess of Gloucester. The two-week run at the Colisenm will include classical favourites from *Swan Lake* and *Coppelia* and a selection of modern work.

Commons sketch

MPs debate skids on loose gravel

If you are out hitch-hiking and an MP pulls over and offers you a lift, it would be well to pretend that you were merely putting your thumb through an aerobics course. To be driven by an MP is a perilous business, it emerged in Questions to the Secretary of State for Transport.

Mr Tony Banks (Labour, Newham North-West), who only last week survived the emotional impact of the near-death of his African grey parrot through poisoning by tap-water, now feels further threatened by the car telephone. How many road accidents, he asked Mr Paul Channon, were caused by people using car telephones?

Mr Channon replied that there were no figures available but that it was "extremely dangerous" to drive and 'phone.

Perhaps Mr Banks in future should take his African grey with him in his car, ready to answer the telephone and take messages as the occasion demands. The other possible solution would be for Mr Banks to act as telephonist while the parrot drives, though this may well contravene various road regulations, particularly if Polly is still poorly and her road-handling skills are thus impaired.

Mr Alan Beith was worried that the proposed extension to licensing times would lead to an increase in drunken driving. Sir Bernard Braine thought that children would be coming home from school just as adults were falling drunkenly into their cars, no doubt intent on ringing their wives and, assuming the voice of parrots, informing them that their husbands were in an important business meeting and had been unavoidably detained.

Members on all sides then ran down a succession of motorways and major roads. Mr Banks criticized the M25 as "one of the largest circular traffic jams the world has ever seen". A Conservative back-bencher tried to cut across to the M4 and its proposed widening until the Speaker waved him down and told him that he should still be on the M25, would he like to turn round?

While others raised the subjects of the northern extension of the M42 and the hazards of the A74, Mr Tam Dalyell could be seen muttering into Mr Dennis Skinner's ear, a fluster of file-paper overflowing from his arms. Might he have discovered a new motorway, the M15, full of misleading signposts, molehills and unlawful diversions?

As a Conservative complained about congestion on the North Circular at Ealing, Dalyell looked riddled with paranoia and concern, very much the earnest traffic policeman standing in the middle of the four-lane stretch of the treacherous M15.

The Minis and bubble-cars soon pulled over for the steam-roller figure of Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Attorney-General – all polish and pin-stripe suit, the crisp white triangle of handkerchief poking out of his top pocket giving the appearance of having been ironed by the unrumpled behinds of a cohort of young aristocrats.

Together, Mayhew and Dalyell, both obsessively dignified but strangely dotty, seemed to be constantly trembling on the threshold of a spirited rendition of a minor classic by Gilbert and Sullivan. "Critics of the police, to say nothing of the law officers, do not lack for versatility," enunciated Sir Patrick, in a manner reminiscent of Mr Leonard Sachs when compering *The Good Old Days*.

Having given the hard shoulder to Mr Dalyell, Sir Patrick found himself having to dodge the oncoming Mr George Galloway (Labour, Glasgow Hillhead). "When is this sinister farce going to be brought to an end," demanded Galloway, talking of the Zircon Affair.

Sir Patrick greeted such questioning with all the enthusiasm of a *maître d'hôtel* confronted with the request for a gob-stopper. "When the relevant details become available", he kept repeating with satisfaction, "when the relevant details become available".

A Conservative back-bencher announced that members on his side of the house were "delighted" that the police had raided the BBC. For Sir Patrick, there were clear roads ahead.

Craig Brown

Spy book ban on papers is 'futile'

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The newspapers seeking the lifting of injunctions banning them from publishing extracts of *Spycatcher*, the memoirs of former MI5 officer Peter Wright, claimed in the High Court yesterday their case had been "revolutionized" by publication of the book in the United States.

Mr Desmond Browne, for *The Guardian*, told the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, that it would be "futile" to continue the injunction.

Viking Penguin had now published 50,000 copies of the book in the United States. "The harm has been done and the court cannot ignore reality", he said. "The cat was out of the bag."

Mr Browne said: "Quite clearly the material is no longer secret and the prize the Attorney General has sought to preserve has evaporated".

Once the memoirs had been published in full the litigation becomes futile. "There is nothing the court can do."

This and other events, Mr Browne said, had "revolutionized" the case of British newspapers that Mr Wright's allegations can no longer be muzzled and "put an entirely different complexion" on the injunctions granted against them last hear.

The Sunday Times had also published lengthy extracts from the book to coincide with its publication in America; and the Government had done nothing to stop a "Beaujolais run" race to bring the first copies of the book into this country.

The Guardian and *The Observer* are seeking the lifting of injunctions granted against them a year ago, and *The Sunday Times* is also seeking to be released from a similar injunction granted against it last week after it published the first extract from its serialization.

Mr Browne yesterday told the Vice-Chancellor that although the Government had believed it open to it to ban the book from being imported, it had consciously decided not to do so.

The case is expected to last most of the week.

Thatcher's key research role

Continued from page 1

nounced are £1 million to help set up the industry-led Centre for Exploitable Areas of Science and Technology.

Lord Sherfield, the chairman of the select committee, described the White Paper as "a good beginning".

"The most important point is the setting up of a much stronger Cabinet committee under the Prime Minister instead of junior Ministers.

"It is much more likely for new money to be made available if there is a more powerful organization at the centre."

The new machinery should mean the R & D budget is better focused and better managed, he said.

The White Paper discloses that the Trade and Industry Ministers under Lord Young of Graffham are looking at the DTI's role in supporting and encouraging innovation.

Dr John Mulvey, secretary of the Save British Science Society, said: "We would welcome the setting up of any committee along the lines suggested by the Lords that really brings consideration of science into a higher profile.

"When it gets down to work the body will realize that the country needs to invest substantially more in R & D

Civil Research and Development White Paper: Government Response to the First report of the House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology, Stationery Office (£2.20).

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Three tiers for universities

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There would be only 15 Type R pursuing important research across the range of sciences. Rather more of the Type X would be expected to retain subjects in which they already had an established reputation. Type T universities would be confined to teaching.

Some of the fields of research listed in the report with strategically important applications are plant biotechnology, neuroscience, information technology, electronic materials and superconductivity.

More help is requested from the Government in developing closer contacts with business and industry.

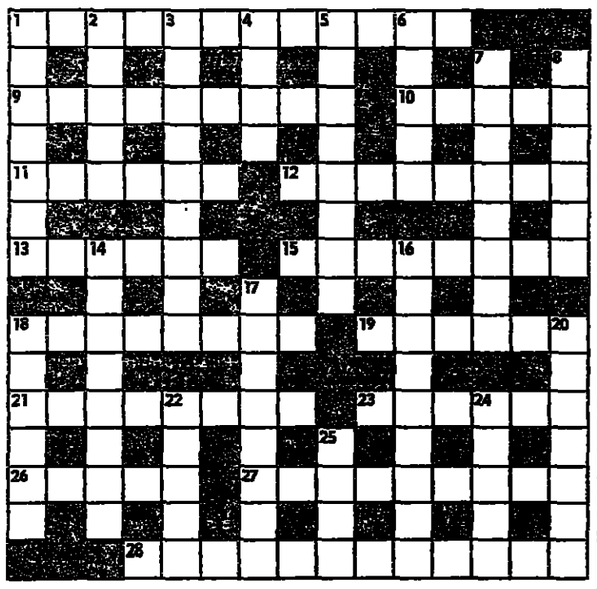
The proposals for a three tier system of universities was attacked by the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals.

But it welcomed the idea of properly equipped centres where scientists from different universities can work on special interdisciplinary programmes.

Sir Mark Richmond, chairman of the committee and vice-chancellor of Manchester University, described the three tier system as a rigid hierarchical structure which would damage the ability to change in the future and throttle new ideas.

A Strategy for the Science Base (HMSO; £3.95).

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,414



This puzzle was solved correctly within 30 minutes by 33 per cent of the competitors at the 1987 Bath Regional final of The Times Collins Dictionaries Crossword Championship

ACROSS

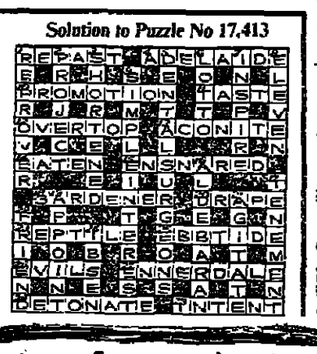
1 Knockabout comedians have a drink with the O'Grady girl (5,3,4).
9 Possibly cue in class of Babylonian characters (9).
10 Follower of a track event, a bit boring with this (5).
11 Beast of burden is one found in Umbria (6).
12 Maize cake's the wrong one everybody rejected (8).
13 Turning to description of dry wine for fish (6).
15 Locker and table, typist for the use of (8).
18 Pearl 1,006? That's uncommonly old! (8).
19 Game little girl associated with a crook (2-4).
21 Some said to result from something more (8).
23 Family quarrel with a student of old system of government (6).
26 Arden's subject of an early translation (5).
27 It is a real disaster if he misses the trapeze (9).
28 One of three beating his breast on hearing the loud bassoon (7-5).

DOWN

1 Cancel detailed arrangement in part when doing wrong (7).
2 Clementine's shoe number's the sartorial limit (5).
3 Sounds healthy if overweight – a bit cold in the fall (9).
4 Absence of approval for the recess (4).
5 All should be ready to attend this rally (8).
6 Charge for turning over the garden with it (5).
7 Such precautions needed if a false mistake is made (4-4).
8 Recompense for one making out his cheque the wrong way (6).
14 Gunners training as paratroopers show some precipitation (8).
16 Missile making a loud noise on the new range (9).
17 French native in the town of Tiitipu perhaps (8).
18 Earth for instance or what grows out of earth initially (6).
20 A coat for an anaemic little child (7).
22 Not all quite beedless of the sound of Minnehaha? (5).
24 Travel this way to the house (5).
25 Fingal's dog found in a tub (4).

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Solution to Puzzle No 17,413



WEATHER

General situation: A depression close to South-east England will move slowly away to the east as a ridge of high pressure approaches western districts. Most places will be mainly dry and cloudy with some sunny spells and showers developing later. Temperatures will range from 19C (66F) in the south and east to 21C (70F) in the west. The South-east will be rather cloudy with showers becoming prolonged and heavy in places. North to north-westerly winds will be moderate or fresh. The west will be mainly dry at first with sunny intervals and heavy showers again developing later in places. In the north-east and eastern Scotland, it will be rather cloudy with some sunny intervals and moderate to fresh northerly winds. North and western Scotland will be dry with sunny spells. Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Most places will be dry with sunny spells, but still fairly cloudy with showers in the South-east, although some sunshine is likely later.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

		C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	29	84	Madrid	s	29	84
Akrotiri	s	30	86	Majorca	s	28	82
Alex'dria	s	29	84	Malaga	f	28	82
Algiers	f	29	84	Malta	s	35	95
Amst'dm	f	18	64	Melb'rne	f	11	52
Athens	s	33	91	Mexico C*	s	22	72
Bahrain	s	38	100	Miami*	th	24	75
Barbados*	f	30	86	Milan	f	27	81
Barcelna	f	24	75	Montreal*	f	23	73
Beirut				Moscow	c	16	61
Belgrade	s	34	93	Munich	s	23	73
Berlin	f	23	73	Nairobi	f	24	75
Bermuda*	f	27	81	Naples	f	32	90
Biarritz	c	19	66	N Delhi	s	38	100
Borde'x	c	19	66	N York*	s	32	90
Brussels	r	16	61	Nice	s	27	81
Budapst	s	29	84	Oslo	f	22	72
B Aires*	s	14	57	Paris	c	16	61
Cairo	s	35	95	Peking	s	27	81
Cape Tn	f	12	54	Perth	s	13	55
C'blanca	s	24	75	Prague	s	21	70
Chicago*	f	33	91	Reykjvik	r	12	54
Ch'church	f	10	50	Rhodes	s	32	90
Cologne	th	18	64	Rio de J	c	27	81
C'phagn	c	16	61	Riyadh	s	44	111
Corfu	s	33	91	Rome	s	30	86
Dublin	f	18	64	Salzburg	s	23	73
Dubrovnik	s	31	88	S F'ncso*	s	18	64
Faro	s	25	77	Santiago*	s	11	52
Florence	f	30	86	S Paulo*	c	17	63
Frankfurt	f	17	63	Seoul	s	30	86
Funchal	f	23	73	Sing'por			
Geneva	f	20	68	St'kholm	c	21	70
Gibraltar	s	26	79	Strasb'rg	f	19	66
Helsinki	s	21	70	Sydney	s	16	61
Hong K	s	32	90	Tangier	s	25	77
Innsbruck	f	21	70	Tel aviv	s	31	88
Istanbul	s	28	82	Tenerife	f	25	77
Jeddah	s	35	95	Tokyo	c	24	75
Jo'burg*	c	13	55	Toronto*	s	24	75
Karachi	f	33	91	Tunis	s	31	88
L Palmas	f	25	77	Valencia	s	29	84
Le Touet	r	17	63	Vanc'ver*	f	17	63
Lisbon	s	24	75	Venice	s	26	79
Locarno	c	21	70	Vienna	s	22	72
L Angels*	s	21	70	Warsaw	c	19	66
Luxembg	c	15	59	Wash'ton*	s	33	91
				Wel'mton	c	11	52
				Zurich	f	18	64

* denotes Sunday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	2.1	-	15	59	cloudy
Bridlington	4.6	.01	17	63	bright
Cromer	4.1	-	20	68	bright
Lowestoft	3.1	.18	19	66	shower
Clacton	0.1	.33	16	61	rain
Southend	-	.16	17	63	shower
Margate	1.1	.20	18	64	rain
Folkestone	2.1	.44	17	63	rain
Hastings	0.1	.56	16	61	rain
Brighton	0.9	.61	17	63	rain
Worthing	2.8	.51	17	63	rain
Littlehmptn	4.1	.52	19	66	bright
Bognor R	4.9	.54	18	64	rain
Southsea	3.2	.54	20	68	cloudy
Shanklin	4.2	.91	18	64	sunny
Bournemth	0.5	1.35	17	63	rain
Poole	2.6	1.11	21	70	shower
Swanage	4.8	1.00	19	66	shower
Weymouth	3.3	.56	18	64	shower
Exmouth	1.7	.33	19	66	bright
Teignmouth	1.2	.27	19	66	bright
Torquay	1.6	.43	20	68	bright
Falmouth	0.3	.22	16	61	shower
Penzance	-	.48	16	61	shower
Scilly Isles	1.1	.14	18	64	shower
Jersey	0.3	1.48	16	61	rain
Guernsey	0.9	.81	17	63	cloudy
Newquay	-	.71	16	61	rain
Ilfracombe	2.2	.57	18	64	shower
Minehead	4.5	.48	19	66	shower
B'pool Airpt	2.2	.77	17	63	rain
Morecambe	0.1	1.03	18	64	rain
Douglas	-	.45	-	-	shower
B'ham Airpt	-	.28	17	63	rain
Bristol (Cnt)	1.5	.13	20	68	rain
Carlisle	5.4	.08	19	66	bright
London	0.1	.58	17	63	rain
Manchester	0.4	.43	17	63	rain
N'cstl-n-Tyne	5.6	.02	17	63	bright
Nottingham	0.1	.24	17	63	shower
Anglesey	0.8	.86	17	63	shower
Cardiff (Cnt)	0.7	.76	18	64	shower
Colwyn Bay	-	.55	16	61	rain
Tenby	3.4	.43	19	66	bright
Aberdeen	-	.02	13	55	rain
Edinburgh	0.5	.25	14	57	dull
Eskdalemuir	9.5	.21	17	63	sunny
Glasgow	3.7	.08	20	68	bright
Kinloss	0.3	.01	13	55	rain
Lerwick	-	.03	15	59	rain
Prestwick	10.1	.05	19	66	sunny
Stornoway	8.2	-	15	59	dull
Tiree	10.6	-	19	66	sunny
Wick	0.7	.06	13	55	rain
Belfast	6.3	.06	20	68	shower

These are Sunday's figures

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HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	11.12	6.0	11.40	5.9
Aberdeen	11.02	3.3	11.37	3.4
Avonmouth	4.03	10.5	4.35	10.5
Belfast	8.44	3.0	9.08	3.0
Cardiff	3.48	9.8	4.20	9.8
Devonport	2.28	4.4	3.14	4.5
Dover	8.37	5.4	9.01	5.6
Falmouth	1.58	4.2	2.44	4.3
Glasgow	9.58	4.0	10.23	4.0
Harwich	9.09	3.3	9.37	3.3
Holyhead	7.57	4.5	8.40	4.5
Hull	3.37	5.9	3.57	6.0
Ilfracombe	3.02	7.0	3.39	7.0
Leith	—	—	12.12	4.7
Liverpool	8.35	7.5	9.16	7.5
Lowestoft	7.12	2.1	7.22	2.1
Margate	9.27	4.0	9.49	4.0
Milford Haven	3.19	5.3	3.58	5.3
Newquay	2.18	5.4	2.56	5.4
Oban	3.27	3.0	4.10	2.9
Penzance	1.42	4.4	2.25	4.5
Portland	3.27	1.3	4.02	1.5
Portsmouth	9.05	3.8	9.26	4.0
Shoreham	8.35	4.7	9.03	4.9
Southampton	8.39	3.7	9.05	3.9
Swansea	3.27	7.5	4.03	7.5
Tees	1.05	4.3	1.28	4.4
Wilton-on-Nze	9.13	3.5	9.37	3.5

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

THE POUND

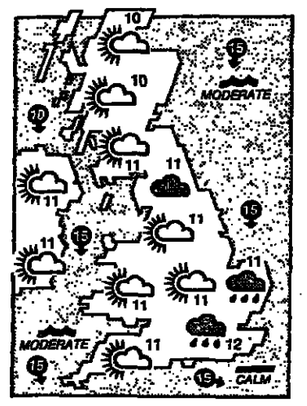
	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.355	2.235
Austria Sch	21.75	20.65
Belgium Fr	64.35	61.15
Canada $	2.197	2.087
Denmark Kr	11.75	11.15
Finland Mkk	7.55	7.15
France Fr	10.27	9.77
Germany Dm	3.10	2.94
Greece Dr	228	217
Hong Kong $	12.95	12.25
Ireland Pt	1.157	1.097
Italy Lire	2235	2125
Japan Yen	256.50	242.50
Netherlands Gld	3.49	3.31
Norway Kr	11.32	10.72
Portugal Esc	239.50	228.50
South Africa Rd	4.85	4.05
Spain Pts	210.50	200.50
Sweden Kr	10.77	10.22
Switzerland Fr	2.575	2.445
USA $	1.675	1.595
Yugoslavia Dnr	1115	1015

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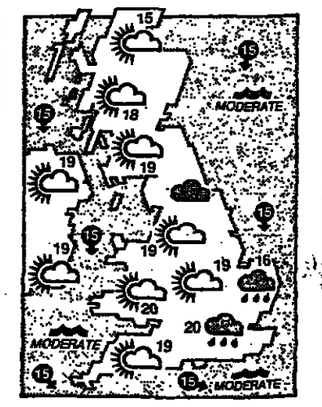
Retail Price Index: 101.9 (June).

London: The *FT* index closed down 27.9 at 1989.6.

AM



PM



LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 9.35 pm to 4.39 am
Bristol 9.45 pm to 4.49 am
Edinburgh 10.11 pm to 4.28 am
Manchester 9.53 pm to 4.38 am
Penzance 9.51 pm to 5.07 am

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	f	20	68	Guernsey	f	16	61
B'mgham	r	15	59	Inverness	c	18	67
Blackpool	f	19	66	Jersey	c	17	63
Bristol	c	17	63	London	r	16	61
Cardiff	c	19	66	M'chester	c	16	61
Edinburgh	c	15	59	Newcastle	d	13	55
Glasgow	c	17	63	R'nkdsway	s	18	64

POLLEN COUNT

The pollen count for London and the South-east issued by the Asthma Research Council at 10 am yesterday was zero Forecast for today, same For today's recording call British Telecom's Weatherline: 01-246 8091, which is updated each day at 10.30 am.

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 19C (66F) : min 6 pm to 6 am, 14C (57F). Humidity: 6 pm, 82 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.92in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 2.4hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1013.1 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

MANCHESTER

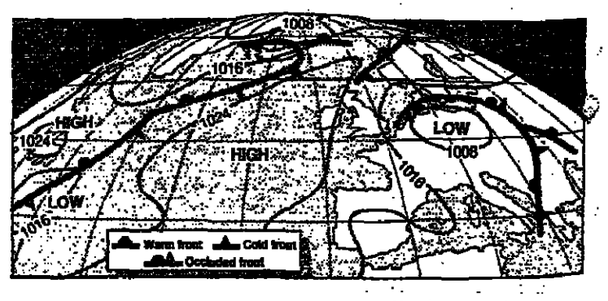
Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 17C (63F) : min 6 pm to 6 am, 13C (55F). Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.05in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 1.2hr.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Sunday: Highest day temp: Poole, Dorset, 21C (70F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, Highland, 11C (52F); highest rainfall: 1.73in; highest sunshine: Tiree, Inner Hebrides, 10.9hrs.

Sun rises: 5.08 am
Sun sets: 9.05 pm
Moon rises 12.49 am
Moon sets 6.28 pm
New Moon July 25

NOON TODAY



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Commons sketch

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n loose gravel

PART 2

TUESDAY JULY 21 1987

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TELEVISION

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STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1889.6 (–27.3)

FT-SE 100
2400.7 (–28.0)

Bargains
57964 (57774)

USM (Datastream)
218.4 (–1.05)

THE POUND

US dollar
1.6040 (–0.0060)

W German mark
2.9850 (–0.0056)

Trade-weighted
73.0 (–0.2)

Bank lending rises £3.9bn

Record fuels fears of overheating economy

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

Bank lending and retail sales rose sharply last month, according to official figures. The announcement fuelled City worries that the economy is overheating.

Bank lending rose by a record £3.9 billion last month, with the banks reporting strong loan demand from the personal sector. The sharp increase in lending took the City by surprise after tentative signs of a slowdown.

Retail sales, which have performed erratically this year, jumped by 3.1 per cent in June, with the retail trade expecting this month to be even better.

Government stocks fell by up to 1½ points on the day, and the bank lending figures also contributed to a big drop in share prices. The FT 30-share index closed 27.3 points down at 1,889.6, after being more than 34 points down at one stage.

The pound edged lower, falling 60 points to $1.6040 and by 0.2 to 73.0 on the sterling index. There are fears that the buoyancy of the economy will show through in a worsening balance of payments position. The May trade figures will be published tomorrow.

The figures, released simultaneously yesterday morning, rule out any early reduction in interest rates. The City consensus, in line with the structure of money market interest rates, is that the next move in interest rates will be upwards.

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Higher rates expected

A record £3.9 billion surge in bank lending last month, announced yesterday, resurrected City fears of higher interest rates and an upturn in inflation.

The bank lending rise, against City expectations of a £2.5 billion increase, followed average monthly increases of only £2.4 billion over the previous six months.

The only special factor was the restructuring of a banking group last month, believed to be Standard Chartered, which added £400 million to bank lending but did not affect the overall rise in the M3 broad money measure of 1 per cent.

Even allowing for this, bank lending was very strong and the figures underline Bank of England caution on interest rates. City analysts fear rates will rise.

"Our view for some time has been that the advent of lower interest rates and the removal of election uncertainties would lead to a surge in borrowing," said Mr Peter Warburton, an economist at Shearson Lehman Securities. "This will mean that interest rates have to go up."

"This plays into the hands of those concerned that the economy is overheating," said Mr John Sheppard, an economist at Warburg Securities. "With the economy performing like this there is a feeling that the next move in interest rates will be upwards."

In spite of the £3.9 billion bank lending rise, the broad M3 measure of money rose by only 1 per cent last month. But it was still 19.2 per cent up on a year earlier.

The bank lending rise was offset by a £800 million repayment of public sector borrowing, £300 million of debt sales to the private sector and a surprisingly high £1.7 billion of external flows to the public sector.

BAA grey market at 47.5p

The price of shares in BAA moved up on the unofficial grey market operated by Cleveland Securities, the licensed dealer, yesterday, after the weekend announcement of the heavy scaling down of applications.

In spite of the general fall in prices on the stock market, the premium on the £1 partly paid shares rose 2.5p to 47.5p, the highest level since grey market dealings started on Thursday. The rise, with the failure of all applications for more than 1,000 shares in the fixed price section, point to a strong demand for shares when official dealings start on July 28.

Babcock halt

Shares of Babcock, the heavy engineering group, were suspended yesterday pending an announcement. Trading in the group's Dutch subsidiary, Babcock Nederland, was also halted in Amsterdam. In the City, traders marked up the shares of Babcock International by 24p to 285.5p amid strong suggestions that the group may have received an approach which could lead to a takeover offer.

Aim higher

Aim Group, with interests in aviation, contracting and property, raised pretax profits to £2.36 million (£1.73 million) in the year to April 30 and is lifting the total dividend from 5.75p to 6p a share.

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Rush ahead

Rush & Tompkins, the property developer, increased its 1986/87 dividend by 25 per cent to 10.55p. Pretax profits for the year to March 31 rose 57 per cent to £4.7 million.

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Calor lower

Pretax profits at Calor Group, which became independent of IC Gas in April, fell to £70.3 millionfrom £73.2 million in the year to March 31.

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Retail sales jump by surprise 3.1%

Retail sales rose by 3.1 per cent last month, beating most expectations for a much smaller increase after most of June was hit by poor weather.

The sharp rise, which followed a 3.5 per cent fall in May, was partly due to purchases of consumer durables held back by uncertainties over the election.

Sales by non-food retailers reached record levels last month, with the best of the business enjoyed by those other than clothing retailers.

The Budget tax cuts, lower mortgage rates and the start of the summer sales also contributed to a strong month. Retailers expect this month's returns to be even better.

"Despite the bad weather during June, we really did quite well," said Mr Richard Weir, director general of the Retail Consortium.

The CBI-FT distributive trades survey, also published yesterday, suggested that tourist business and the good weather this month had produced a further increase in business in July.

In the latest three months, April to June, retail sales volume was up by 2.3 per cent on the previous three months and by 5.8 per cent on a year earlier.

Officials at the Department of Trade and Industry said the June rise in sales volume restored the upward trend, but that the increase between the first and second quarters probably overstated this trend because of weather distortions.

The average weekly value of sales last month was £1.88 billion, 6.5 per cent up on a year earlier. In the first six months of the year, the value of sales was 8 per cent up on the corresponding period of last year.

The index of retail sales volume last month stood at 129.3 (1980 = 100), the second highest on record, below the April high of 130.

£5bn loss on shares

By Geoffrey Foster

A combination of disappointing June banking figures and a sharp overnight setback in Tokyo brought the London stock market's record breaking-run to a spectacular end yesterday.

More than £5 billion was wiped from the value of quoted companies and losses in government securities stretched to 1½ points at the longer end. Dealers fear the latest banking figures virtually rule out any hope of another early cut in interest rates.

Selling pressure, however, was described as light, with the FT index of top 30 shares managing to close above its worst levels of the day. It finished 27.3 down at 1,889.6, after being 34.3 lower earlier in the session. The broader FT-SE 100 also finished 28.0 down at 2,400.7.

Share prices opened sharply lower, prompted by the 650-point fall in the Nikkei Dow Jones overnight in Tokyo.



Sir Peter Graham: his bank faces uncertain future

Standard seeks Stanbic sale

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

Standard Chartered, the London-based international banking group, is actively looking for buyers for its 39 per cent stake in Stanbic, the South African bank. Hill Samuel, the merchant bank acting for Standard, has been discreetly sounding out possible purchasers including Liberty Life, the South African insurance group.

The disposal of such a politically embarrassing investment by Standard could be the prelude to a large capital-raising exercise or a merger with another bank. Although the South African involvement did not deter Lloyds Bank from bidding for Standard last year, South Africa has become an increasingly emotive issue in the international business community.

The sale, which could net Standard around £80 million, would also help to cover the British bank's substantial bad debt provisions while reducing its balance sheet. Standard is badly in need of extra capital, with lower equity and primary capital ratios than any of the big four clearing banks.

The disposal would still leave Standard with around £750 million in cross-border lending to South Africa, however.

The decision to sell Stanbic highlights the uncertain future of Standard, whose chairman is Sir Peter Graham. Mr Robert Holmes à Court, the Australian businessman, last week joined Sir YK Pao as a deputy chairman of the bank. Both men helped to rescue Standard from the Lloyds bid and each holds a stake of nearly 15 per cent in the bank. Moreover, Lloyds is now free to renew its bid for Standard if it wishes.

With foreign banks and industrial companies steadily withdrawing from the country, any buyer of the Stanbic stake is likely to be South African. Under an agreement dating from 1985, Liberty Life has first option on Standard's interest in Stanbic in the event of a rights issue or a large disposal of shares. Liberty already owns 22.5 per cent of the South African bank.

Under South African law, however, no one may own more than 30 per cent of a bank without the prior approval of the South African Reserve Bank, the country's central bank.

Standard has been under less pressure from anti-apartheid campaigners than Barclays Bank was, but commercial considerations have become increasingly important. Analysts expect group pretax profits to remain virtually unchanged this year. But a boost in its provisions to 25 to 30 per cent of bad debts, as other banks are doing, would cost Standard around £395 million, slashing more than £50 million off expected interim pretax profits.

In 1986, Stanbic contributed around 15 per cent of Standard's group profits, but slow growth coupled with adverse exchange rate movements meant that Stanbic's profits rose by only 2 per cent to £36.8 million. The bank's net asset value last year was £191 million.

B-Cal hints of a 'crisis' if merger delayed

By John Bell, City Editor

B-Cal yesterday hinted that a crisis of confidence might develop over its future if the proposed £237 million plan to merge with British Airways is delayed by a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

The suggestion, contained in a joint submission by the two airlines to the Office of Fair Trading, is the first open admission by B-Cal that it faces survival problems if the merger does not proceed swiftly.

Last year, B-Cal dropped plans for a flotation of its shares and reported a loss of £19 million. The net assets of the group, £97 million at the last balance sheet date, are dwarfed by borrowings and off balance sheet liabilities of close on £300 million. The airline has already admitted that its target of £30 million profits in the current financial year is unlikely to be achieved.

The submission to Sir Gordon Borrie, the director general of the Office of Fair Trading, was signed by Lord King, the chairman of BA and Sir Adam Thomson, the chairman and founder of B-Cal. The eight paragraph summary sets out arguments why the proposed merger should not be referred to the commission. A reference would involve an investigation lasting up to six months.

The final paragraph of the summary says: "To maintain confidence in its trading position, B-Cal strongly urges that its merger with BA should not be held up by a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission." There is a further reference to question marks over B-Cal's viability as an independent company in a section of the summary which deals with future developments in European aviation.

"In Europe, airlines will have to become either very big or stay small offering specialist services. B-Cal is neither. A radical re-allocation of routes and/or transfer of B-Cal operations to Heathrow having been ruled put by the British Government, B-Cal's only course is to merge if it is to survive," the summary says.

The main thrust of the submission is that the proposed merger will create a strong British competitor for foreign carriers internationally.

● Air Europe, a subsidiary of Mr Harry Goodman's International Leisure group, is making an undisclosed offer for B-Cal's domestic routes. If a deal can be agreed, the need for a Monopolies Commission reference would be diminished.

Dewey Warren is set to raise £180m

By Colin Campbell

Dewey Warren Holdings – Mr Robert Holmes à Court's expanding insurance group in which his Bell Group International has a 42 per cent stake – is poised to raise roughly £180 million via two rights issues to fund planned developments.

The group, which has declared its ambition to expand within the field of financial services, emerged last week as a holder of 5.19 per cent of Morgan Grenfell, the merchant banking group. It is said to view Morgan as a more attractive holding than Hill Samuel, in which it was previously a shareholder, and which is now set to fall under Swiss control.

The purchase of 13.03 million shares in Morgan Grenfell, reportedly from the Kuwait Investment Office, together with its own holding of 1.15 million shares bought in the market, gives Dewey Warren its 5.19 per cent.

Dewey Warren already has an agreement with TSB to buy the insurance interests of Hogg Robinson Group for £116 million cash – assuming TSB is successful in its 600p-a-share bid for Hogg Robinson – and in order to fund this, and other developments, is now out to raise fresh capital.

A rights issue on the basis of two-for-one at around 260p, and another of seven-for-two with a clawback provision, would raise sufficient to fund the Morgan Grenfell share purchase, the acquisition of additional insurance interests, and still leave something for the next move.

Dewey Warren's agreed purchase of Hogg Robinson's insurance interests depends, at face value, on TSB winning control of Hogg Robinson – and that in turn depends on Hogg Robinson shareholders rejecting their company's demerger proposals. They will vote on plans to split their group into two next Monday.

If TSB fails to win control of Hogg Robinson, this would not necessarily thwart Dewey Warren's plans to expand its insurance interests, and a separate deal with Hogg Robinson (as split if the shareholders' vote goes in favour) cannot be ruled out.

Dewey Warren's shares were suspended from the stock exchange on Friday at 280p. They are likely to remain suspended for a while

A-L unveils terms

Allied-Lyons yesterday unveiled the terms of its £80.8 million fund-raising exercise among Canadian institutions. The food and drinks group also announced that the Toronto Stock Exchange had conditionally approved its application for a listing, writes Lawrence Lever.

The move comes after Allied's £600 million purchase of a 51 per cent stake in Hiram Walker, the Canadian drinks group, last September.

Allied is offering 17.7 million of its shares to Canadian investors at a price of Can$9.85 a share.

This equates to approximately 457p a share.

Mr Tony Pratt, corporate affairs manager at Allied, said the effect of the offering will be to reduce group gearing from about 72 per cent to 65 per cent.

The shares are being offered in two instalments. The first is Can$5.90 per share with the balance due for payment in January next year. The Canadian offering is expected to close on July 30.

£50m GEC deal

Closer co-operation between Britain's General Electric Company and General Electric of the United States has produced an agreement worth more than £50 million to GEC, writes Our Industrial Editor.

Ruston Gas Turbines, part of GEC, which is already a supplier to GE will, under the agreement, supply power turbines for GE's widely successful LM1600 gas turbine drivers as well as manufacturing parts for GE gas generators.

Ruston is also to develop its assembly and testing facilities for a combination of GE gas generators and Ruston power turbines to be marketed under the Ruston label.

The British company earlier this year announced two new engines to keep it in the race in the below-10MW sector but the new agreement will extend its range in larger engines.

Mr Kelvin Bray, Ruston's managing director, said: "It provides Ruston with an excellent opportunity to extend its current business relationship with GE."

Former steel town is winning the battle for high-tech jobs

A Citizen first for Scunthorpe

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

Citizen, the Japanese manufacturer best known for its watches but now fast diversifying, is to build its first computer printer factory outside Japan at Scunthorpe, South Humberside.

When full production is reached at the end of next year about 300 jobs will be created including a Japanese management contingent of nine.

It is the first Japanese maker to open up in this part of the countryalthough there are now about 55 Japanese companies with factories in Britain. Most have come here to gain a foothold in the European market potentially free from import quota restrictions.

With the computer printer market in Europe expanding rapidly, there is a further prospect of doubling the number of jobs.

The greenfield site, near the centre of Scunthorpe, is adjacent to a college of technology and has the space available to make it possible to double the capacity of the factory.



Jack Bennett: turnover is already over £20 million



Morio Kizawa: 'well-organized and hard workers'

Scunthorpe, an old steel town with an unemployment rate around 18 per cent, is starting to win the battle to turn the tide for the local jobless.

Unigate is investing £55 million in a farm products factory which will produce up to 1,000 jobs and there are negotiations going on with a West German company which could create several hundred additional jobs.

Investment in the new Citizen factory, a 75,000 square foot unit on a four-acre site, is expected to be in the region of £6 million. Grants and other aid is believed to amount to rather more than £1 million.

But grants in some other parts of Britain were very much the same so the decision to go to Scunthorpe was based more on other factors, said Mr Morio Kizawa, the president and managing director of Citizen Europe, the Uxbridge-based European sales and marketing arm of Citizen Watch.

Mr Kizawa said: "We were pleasantly surprised by Scunthorpe. The local authorities and others involved had everything so well organized and they were such hard workers. There was skilled labour available. And Scunthorpe is so clean, so well-wooded. It has a good golf course there, too."

Setting up in Britain would give Citizen greater stability in European trading and a faster response to marketing changes with ultimately production costs coming down, he added.

Production in a temporary factory at Scunthorpe will produce 100 jobs this year but production there of 500 units a day will rise to more than 1,500 a day in the new factory.

In the financial year to last April, Mr Jack Bennett, vice president for sales and marketing, and his team at Citizen Europe had a turnover of more than £20 million.

SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	2500.96 (–9.08)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	23328.64 (–654.81)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	3386.09 (+43.96)
Amsterdam: Gen	320.6 (–0.8)
Sydney: AO	1977.8 (+2.4)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1969.9 (+9.2)
Brussels:	
General	5059.5 (same)
Paris: CAC	410.6 (–3.2)
Zurich: SKA Gen	565.50 (+8.5)
London: FT. A	n/a
FT. Gilts	90.78 (+0.58)

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
Deritend	508p (+65p)
A Wood	214p (+24p)
Unigroup	153p (+16p)
Hickson Intnl.	810p (+44p)
FALLS:	
Bass	1016p (–26p)
Glaxo	1808p (–26p)
Hawker Siddeley	584p (–18p)
T Cowie	860p (–58p)
Marler Estates	1250p (–25p)

Prices are as at 4pm

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 9%
3-month interbank 9 3/16–9 1/16%
3-month eligible bills: 8 27/32–8 13/16% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 8¼%
Federal Funds 8 9/16%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.52-5.50%*
30-year bonds 101 17/32–101 19/32*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6040	£: $1.6020*
£: DM2.9850	$: DM1.8615*
£: SwFr2.4854	$: SwFr1.5495*
£: FFr9.9328	$: FFr6.1930*
£: Yen244.93	$: Yen152.80*
£: Index:73.0	$: Index:103.9
ECU £0.69441	SDR £0.781571

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $449.65 pm-$450.90
close $451.00-451.50 (£281.00-281.50)
New York:
Comex $450.70-451.20*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Aug) pm$20.35bbl ($20.50)
* Denotes latest trading price

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BUSINESS SUMMARY

Dominion 'approach' may lead to offer

Dominion International, the financial services to natural resources group, announced that "an approach" had been made "which may lead to an offer for the company at close to the market price of 134p." At this price Dominion is worth £69.6 million. Last month, it announced a 22 per cent fall in profits and it has been negotiating to sell off its natural resources interests, held through Southwest Resources, its 59 per cent-owned subsidiary. Southwest, quoted on the USM, rose 8p to 36p on the news, while Dominion fell 2p to 132p.

Sutcliffe rises to £805,000

Sutcliffe Speakman, the activated carbon and speciality chemicals group, continued its slow climb back to health with a rise in pretax profits from £171,000 to £805,000 in the year to March, despite losses of £351,000 on its brick plant business, which it has now sold. No dividend has been paid since 1979, but the company says it is in a strong position, after last September's £1.6 million rights issue, to take advantage of the expansion opportunities in its field.

Brierley lifts Equity stake

Mr Ron Brierley's IEP Securities has lifted its stake in Equity & Law Life Assurance Society from 27.5 per cent to 29.4 per cent, and is within a fraction of the level that would trigger a full takeover bid. Mr Brierley, a New Zealand businessman, has been building his holding in Equity & Law since late last year, and it is now worth £107 million. IEP would not comment, except to reiterate the long-term nature of Mr Brierley's holdings in Britain.

Deritend rejects bid

Deritend Stamping, on the receiving end of a £25 million bid **from Carclo Engineering Group, yesterday strongly recommended shareholders to reject the approach.**

Mr David Mead, chairman of Deritend, pointed out that the bid was "all paper, no cash" and said that in any case it was too low. "It is only 8 per cent above our share price in the market immediately before the bid," he said.

Carclo already owns an 11.2 per cent stake in Deritend, the Worcestershire-based forgings, castings, electrical installations and repair group. The offer values each Deritend share at 488p. Deritend shares rose 70p to 513p yesterday before falling back to 508p.

When he was asked about the possibility of a white knight appearing on the scene, Mr Mead said that the bid — which came late on Friday — had "sparked off a certain amount of interest."

STOCK MARKET

Mystery buyer adds £66m to Royal Insurance value

By Michael Clark and Geoffrey Foster

A big buyer was stalking shares of **Royal Insurance** yesterday, pushing the price up 28p to a peak of 588p and adding more than £66 million to the group's stock market value.

The man behind the buying was said to be Mr John Spalvins, the Australian corporate raider. He rose to fame earlier this year when his Adelaide Steamship built up a near 9 per cent stake, worth £80 million, in **Blue Circle Industries**, Britain's biggest cement producer. He eventually sold the stake for a hefty profit.

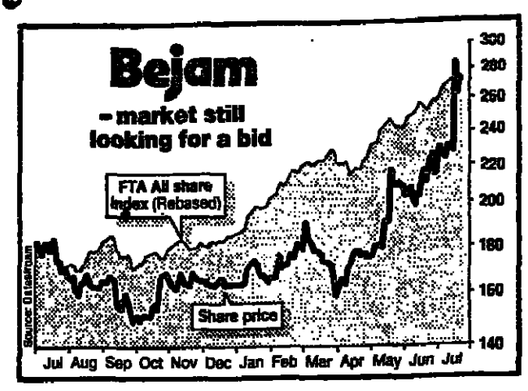
Dealers claim he is hoping for a repeat performance with Royal and yesterday asked two firms of brokers, Le Mare Martin and TC Coombes, to pick up a total of 5 million shares (2.5 per cent) in the company.

Judging by yesterday's turnover of 3.8 million they managed to complete only part of the order and may be around again today. With Royal currently capitalized at £1.3 billion, it is unlikely he has a full bid in mind.

Meanwhile, **Scottish & Newcastle**, the brewer, has placed its entire 4.9 per cent stake in **Norfolk Capital**, the hotels group where Lady Jospeh, widow of Sir Maxwell Joseph, still owns a near 10 per cent stake.

Scottish sold the 15 million shares (4.9 per cent) to Warburg Securities at 46.5p and last night it was unclear who the eventual buyer was. Hopes had been high that S&N would make a full bid for Norfolk which finished 3p lower at 48p.

S&N has also been the target of persistent bid speculation amid talk that **Elders IXL**, which recently paid £1.2 billion for **Courage**, had been eyeing the shares. Now attention has been focused on **Matthew Brown**, where S&N still owns a 29.9 per cent stake following an abortive bid last year. Matthew Brown finished 9p higher at 673p.



The rest of the equity market appeared to be in ragged retreat following last week's record-breaking run.

The tone was set first thing by news of a 650-point fall overnight in Tokyo. Dealers marked blue chips sharply lower and the shakeout gathered pace after publication of the worse-than-expected banking figures.

The FT 30 share index closed above its worst levels with a fall of 27.3 at 1,889.6, while the broader FT-SE 100 share index finished 28.0 down at 2,400.7, having been 36 points lower at one stage.

Fears that the next cut in bank base rates may now be some way off after the figures from banks left gilts with losses stretching to £1⅛

Those bid rumours at **Bejam**, the frozen food retailer, refuse to lie down. Yesterday the shares bucked the market trend by advancing another 10p to 269p after hitting a new peak last week of 284p following a spectacular 60p rise on Thursday.

The group has been the target of persistent bid talk in recent weeks fuelled by the decision of its founder and chairman, Mr John Apthorp, to hand over the day-to-day running of the business to Mr Timothy How, who has been appointed managing director.

Favourite to make a bid has always been **Iceland Frozen Foods**.

Babcock International, the heavy engineering group and perennial takeover favourite, attracted early speculative support, rising a further 23p to a peak of 285p before being suspended at the company's request pending an announcement.

The group has been the target of bid speculation and a few weeks ago there was talk that **BICC** was ready to launch a £3-a-share offer.

Dealers believe the group has lined up another big acquisition. In April it bought the Mathews Conveyor Company from Rexnord in the US for £24.4 million cash.

Full-year figures from Great Universal Stores, down 21p at £21.25, should soon make pleasant reading with the market looking for pretax profits of between £325 million and £335 million against £297.7 million. Mr Zak Keshavjee, stores analyst with Savory Milln, the broker, says the figure could be nearer £345 million and does not rule out a pensions holiday.

TEMPUS

R&T develops new approach

Rush & Tompkins Group's decision that a change of direction would lift it off its profits plateau was easy compared to the gargantuan task of making the new strategy work.

The figures show a flicker of light at the end of the tunnel, but there are still plenty of dark crannies.

Most of the £5.6 million extraordinary item refers to extra provisions against old overseas work. Now the business is closed, it is harder to clinch outstanding claims. But luckily for R&T it can take these below the line.

The sale of most of the investment property portfolio realized £2 million profit. It is R&T's policy to treat such sales as trading items although not all companies adopt this practice.

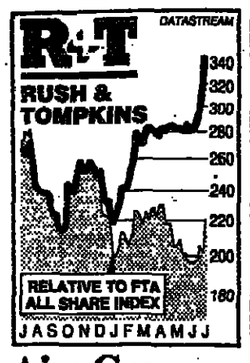
The asset value has fallen from 344p to 215p following the portfolio sale and the write down of Marlowe House in Sidcup, Kent from £16 million to £10 million.

R&T's appetite was whetted working on the £60 million Metrocentre in Gateshead, so property development and associated contracting work is seen as the way forward.

R&T and a selection of partners have secured more than £200 million of mostly retail work: The group's share, on which it should earn more than 15 per cent pretax, is around £80 million over several years

Gearing has been reduced from 100 per cent to 54 per cent. But there is about £35 million of off-balance sheet financing linked to the property developments. Recourse to the group is 10 per cent.

Much must still be taken on trust at R&T, but at least the new management is meeting the challenge head on.



Aim Group

Aim Group, the aircraft cabin interiors and contracting people, which hit an air pocket in 1982, is now flying high.

The benefits of three years of rationalization have come through to improved profitability in the year ended April.

Pretax profits grew from £1.73 million to £2.36 million and margins from 7.16 per cent to 9.32 per cent, with the core aviation division advancing from £926,000 to £1.3 million. There should easily be further profits growth on the back of new fire regulations and the general activity within the aviation market.

There was a doubled contribution from the selected property development activities, and even the micro-oven business — which present management a few years ago had to digest as a poison pill — is turning in useful profits.

The balance sheet will show gearing has risen from 20 per cent to a superficially alarming 81 per cent, but much of it is due to the property activities

With profits likely to see £3 million this year, seat belts can be unfastened. At 238p, to offer a prospective price earnings ratio of 12.9, investors should be able to sit back and enjoy the flight.

Stay with Calor

Calor Group, set free from the reins of IC Gas earlier this year, was predictably let down by the oil price in its first year of independence to end-March.

Pretax profits were £70.3 million against £73.2 million on a pro forma basis, and the first whiff of the setback sent the shares down 10p to 456p yesterday. At the net level, the outcome was £45 million (£44.8 million).

The faithful should, however, hang on because there is now some bounce in the oil price and group margins are still respectable. Analysts' forecasts of stronger profits are far from shaken.

There has been a change in accounting policy, and an extraordinary writedown totalling £15 million associated with North American oil and gas investments, in part offset by a £14.5 million waiver from IC Gas concerning loans due.

The oil letdown is clear from the profit breakdown from Century Power & Light — back from £28.4 million to £7.2 million — but the group's strong position within the LPG market should underpin more exciting profits from here on. Gross margins in this division are estimated to have improved from 40 to 45 per cent.

If the oil price has seen the worst, then the 1987 setback could prove to be shortlived. On that basis, the current year's contribution can only improve. The balance sheet remains strong, and forecasts of current year net income of £48 million, rising to £51.7 million the following year, to put the shares on a p/e of 13.6, suggest the shares remain a hold.

WALL STREET

New York (Reuter) — The Dow Jones industrial average slipped 5.74 to 2,504.30 in early trading yesterday, after being 12 points down.

The transport indicator was down 4.34 to 1,042.68 while the utilities average edged 1.20 lower to 203.77.

Declining issues broadly outnumbered advancing shares.

Analysts said share prices fell on a lower dollar against foreign currencies and rising bond yields. They expected a correction after the market's drive on Friday through the 2,500-level for the first time.

	Jul 17	Jul 16
AMR Cp	60¾	60¾
ASA	61¼	61½
Aetna Life	59¾	59¾
Allied Signal	44½	44⅛
Allis Chlm	2⅝	2⅝
Alcoa	56⅝	56⅝
Amax Inc	25	24¾
AMR Hess	41⅜	41¼
Am Brands	50¼	49¼
Am Cynmd	51⅝	51½
Am Ele Pwr	27⅛	27
Amexs	32¼	33
Am Home	85⅝	85
Am Motors	4⅜	4¼
Am Stand	48	48
Am Telph	31⅞	31⅞
Amoco Cp	67⅜	67¼
Armco Steel	14	13⅝
Asarco Inc	30¾	30⅜
Ashland Oil	69	68⅝
Atl Richfld	98	97
Avon Prod	35⅝	35⅛
Bk Boston	34⅛	33½
Bank NY	43	43⅜
Bankamer	11½	11½
Bkrs Tst NY	49⅛	49⅛
Beth Steel	19	19⅛
Boeing	47⅞	47¾
Boise Casc	74	72
Borden	58⅛	57¾
Borg Warnr	45⅝	45⅞
Bristl Meyr	51¼	49¾
BP	78½	80¾
Brunswick	25⅛	25⅛
Burl Ind	77	76⅛
Burl Ntn	79⅜	81
CBS	185¼	185¼
Cms Engy	17	18⅛
CPC Int	53	53½
CSX Cp	37	36⅝
Cmpbell Sp	63½	63¾
Can Pacific	21⅝	22
Caterpillar	60¼	59¾
Centrl SW	31⅞	30¾
Champion	36⅝	36⅞
Chase Man	41½	41¼
Chem NY	41½	41⅝
Chevron	64	64
Chrysler	38⅝	38⅜
Citicorp	59⅛	58¾
Clark Eq	27⅞	27¾
Coca Cola	47	44½
Colgate	50⅝	50
Columb Gas	49	49⅛
Cmb'tn Eng	39¾	38⅝
Cmwth Edi	33¾	34
Cons Edis	43¾	43¾
Consol Ng	45⅛	43⅝
Cont Data	28⅛	28¾
Corning Gl	63½	62⅝
Crane	29¾	29⅝
Curtiss Wrt	64½	65
Data Genl	31⅜	32
Deere Co	32¾	31⅛
Delta Airl	55	55⅛
Detroit Edi	16⅛	16¼
Digital Eq	165¾	166¼
Disney	70½	71⅜
Dow Chem	88	86¼
Dressr Ind	35½	35¾
Dupont	126½	126¼
Duke Pwr	44¾	44
East Kodak	90	91¾
Eaton Cp	97	95¾
Emerson El	110	108¾
Emery Air	15⅞	15½
Exxon	95½	94¾
Farah Inc	15⅛	15¾
Fedders	9⅜	9¾
Firestone	45	44¾
Fst Chicago	30¾	30¾
Fst Int Bncp	60¾	58¾
Fst Penn C	9¾	9¾
FT Wachva	38¾	38¾
Ford Motor	108¼	107
GAF Cp	55	55¼
GTE Cp	38⅛	38
Gen Cp	109¾	109¾
Gn Dynam	68¼	68¾
Gen Electric	56	56⅛
Gen Inst	38¾	38¾
Gen Mills	55	55⅝
Gen Motors	83¾	83¼
Gen Pub Ut	25⅞	26⅛
Genesco	5⅝	5¾
Georgia Pac	41	41⅛
Gillette	42¾	42¾
Goodrich	54¼	53¾
Goodyear	70½	69⅝
Gould Inc	20	19⅞
Grace Co	65	65¼
Grt Atl Pac	40	40¾
Greyhnd	41¾	41¾
Gruman	29¾	29¾
Gulf & West	86⅜	86
Heinz	47¾	47¾
Hercules	65¾	65
Hewlett Pk	63	63
Honeywell	86¾	87
IC Ind	34½	34
ITT Cp	62¼	61½
INCO	20½	20¼
Ing Rand Wt	35⅞	35¾
Inland Steel	33	34¼
IBM	167¾	168¼
Int Paper	47	47¼
Irving Bk	48¾	48
Jhsn & Jhsn	94½	95
K Mart	44¾	44¾
Kaiserach	22½	22¾
Kerr McGee	40¼	40
Kimberly Clrk	54¾	55¼
Kraft	61	60⅞
Kroger	36¾	36⅞
LTV Cp	4¾	4¾
Litton	104	104¾
Lockheed	57½	57¼
Lucky Str	32¾	33
Man Hnwr	44⅛	44¾
Manville	3⅜	3¾
Mapco	57¾	57¾
Marine Mid	75¼	77¾
Mt Marneta	47	46¾
Masco	34¾	34½
Mcdonalds	52¾	55¾
McDonnell	73⅛	71¾
Mead Cp	37¾	37
Merck	182¾	183¼
Minsta Mng	70⅛	70¾
Mobil	53¾	52½
Monsanto	90¾	87¾
Morgan Jp	47¾	47¾
Motorola	58	58
NCR	78⅛	78¾
NL Indstrs	9¾	9⅛
Nat Distil	71	71⅛
Nat Md Ent	27¾	27¾
Nat Semi	14	14¼
Norfolk Sth	33¾	33¾
NW Bancrp	42¾	42⅛
Occid Petl	38⅞	39¼
Ogden Cp	35⅛	34¾
Olin Cp	53½	53¾
PPG Ind	48¾	48⅜
Pac Gas El	20	19¾
Pan Am	5	5⅜
Penney JC	57¾	55½
Pennzoil	79¾	80¼
Pepsico	39¾	39⅝
Pfizer	72	71¾
Phelps Dod	42	42¾
Philip Mor	96⅜	95½
Philip Ptrl	18¾	18¾
Polaroid	34½	34¾
Primerica	40	40
Procr Gble	94¾	94¾
Pub Svc Eg	37½	37¾
Raytheon	78	77¾
Rymds Metl	48¾	48¾
Rockwell Int	28⅝	27¾
Royal Dutch	138¾	139½
SFE Sopac	51⅝	51¼
Sara Lee	44¾	44¾
Schlumb	50¾	48¾
Scott Pap	76	74¾
Seagram	79¾	79¼
Sears Roeb	51⅜	51¼
Shell Trans	96½	97¾
Singer	44½	43¾
Smith Beck	65¼	64¾
Sony Cp	27¾	28¾
Sth Cal Ed	31½	30¾
SW Bell	36⅝	36
Squibb	90¾	90¾
Sterl Drug	62¾	62⅝
Stevens JP	48¾	48½
Sun Comp	67¾	67¾
TRW Inc	56¼	55
Teledyne	362½	361½
Tenneco	52¾	52
Texaco	45¼	45¾
Tex Eastn	38	38¾
Texas Inst	62¾	64¾
Tex Util	32¾	32½
Textron	36¼	34¾
Travelers	45	44¾
USG	36¾	35½
USX Cp	38¾	37¾
Unilever Plc	46¼	47¾
Un Carbide	29¾	29
Un Pac Cp	81	79¼
Unisys Cp	129¾	130¼
Utd Brands	39¾	38½
Utd Tech	55	53
Unocal	42½	42¾
Walter Jm	57¼	58
Warn Lamb	79½	78¾
Wells Far	53¾	53¾
Westg El	66¼	66¼
Weyerhsr	49¾	48¾
Whirlpool	34¼	34¼
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Former Hillsdown chief in £21m Marler share buy

By Cliff Feltham

The multi-millionaire founder of one of Britain's largest food groups had the City's property experts guessing yesterday after his acquisition of a large stake in Marler Estates, which owns three London football grounds.

Mr David Thompson, aged 50, made £144 million this year after selling almost half his stake in Hillsdown Holdings and stepping down as joint chairman.

Mr Thompson, ranked as one of Britain's wealthiest men, spent almost £21 million on a near 30 per cent stake in Marler, which has plans for developing Chelsea, Fulham and Queens Park Rangers football grounds.

Marler was in the dark about Mr Thompson's plans. A spokesman said: "We have no idea what he is up to. He hasn't spoken to us."

A leading City property analyst said: "There is enough hidden value in these properties for Mr Thompson to hold the shares for a time and then sell them for a nice profit. But the odds have to be on his launching a takeover bid at some stage."

Mr Thompson, who was rarely seen even during his successful days at Hillsdown — where he still owns a 15 per cent stake — was not available for comment.

One suggestion in the City was that a deal could be struck to inject some property assets from the Hillsdown Holdings stable — said to be Rugby Securities, its property development arm — into Marler, which could provide Mr Thompson with an opportunity to bring all his property interests under one umbrella.

He has also taken control of Glentree, the USM-quoted, up-market London estate agency.

But last night, Mr Harry Solomon, the Hillsdown chairman, shot down City speculation that Rugby, an active Hillsdown company involved in developing and renovating the company's property interests, was connected with Mr Thompson's new activities.

"His involvement in Marler is separate and has nothing to do with Hillsdown. Rugby is very much part of Hillsdown and we see it as having a very big future within the group," Mr Solomon said.

But the main focus of attention is likely to be on Mr Thompson's interest in Marler, which bought Queens Park Rangers earlier this year to add to its other assets in West London.

Marler has planning permission to redevelop Stamford Bridge, the home of Chelsea Football Club. Earlier this year it abandoned plans to merge Fulham and QPR and build flats and offices on Fulham's ground after local opposition.

The speculation over the potential property profit tied up in the company has seen the shares jump from under £6 to £13 this year.

Mr Thompson acquired his shares from Glen International, Mr Terry Ramsden's unquoted investment company, at £9.50 each. Yesterday, the shares traded at £12.50.

Ulster vote for all-day banking

From Bob Rodwell
Belfast

Staffs at the four main clearing banks in Northern Ireland — the Northern, Ulster, Bank of Ireland, and the Allied Irish — have voted for the abolition of lunchtime closing in return for a 5.5 per cent pay rise, their union, the Irish Banks Officials Association, announced yesterday.

Long resisted by the union, all-day opening will bring the high street banks in the province into line with their counterparts in mainland Britain.

Employees voted on the issue following the decision of a recent arbitration tribunal that it should go to a referendum. There has been very strong pressure from the employers who argued that it was necessary to meet the increasing competition in Northern Ireland from building societies and the TSB, which has been opening all day.

But the threat of an all-out strike from next Tuesday hangs over the 56 branches of the TSB throughout the province to back a demand by its employees for pay parity with the clearing banks.

TSB employees were set to begin working curtailed hours from today, to back up their demand, before moving to an all-out strike next week.

But yesterday, the IBOA lifted its instruction to its members to begin curtailed hours — opening later in the mornings and closing for lunch — after the management said that anyone not working normally would be suspended. In doing so, the union retained the option to launch an all-out strike next Tuesday if the dispute is not settled.

COMMENT Kenneth Fleet

All eyes on trade figures

So long is it since we had a boom in Britain, let alone a non-inflationary one, it is understandable that people are a little wary about the present situation. Yesterday's simultaneous announcement of sharply rising retail sales and record bank lending had the City reaching for the aspirin bottle.

The uneasiness of the markets yesterday was focused on a combination of higher interest rates, an upsurge in inflation and a deteriorating current account, all classic symptoms of overheating.

To take these in turn. The Chancellor of the Exchequer has said that he is not concerned about the extent of lending to the personal sector. He did not have the benefit of yesterday's figures but unless there has been a radical shift of view at the Treasury, it would be surprising if strong bank lending on its own would be sufficient to produce a rise in interest rates.

There are some symptoms of higher inflation in the economy. Last week's producer price figures suggested some deterioration in the outlook. But there are plenty of offsetting factors and not least, in the current stage of the cycle, low growth in unit labour costs in manufacturing. Even so, the view that broad money growth is now sufficiently meshed with the growth of money national income to produce double-digit inflation next year is still a minority one.

The strongest argument for the overheating school rests with the balance of payments. Sharply rising credit-based personal spending sucks in imports, the current account worsens, sterling weakens, interest rates then have to go up but perhaps not enough to prevent inflation heading higher. So far this year, the strength of the current account has been the main surprise. Tomorrow's delayed trade figures for May should tell us whether it is time to take the overheating argument to heart.

Tyzack bid for United Packaging

By Michael Tate

Tyzack Turner Group, the Sheffield engineer, has launched an agreed £9.4 million takeover bid for United Packaging, the stretch-wrapping to twine group. The terms include a 200p a share cash option, which has been accepted by Mr Ernest Ascher, the chairman of UP, who owns 78 per cent of the share capital.

Full terms of the offer are four Tyzack shares for every nine UP shares, valuing each UP share at 222p before the bid was announced.

Existing shareholders in Tyzack will be offered the new Tyzack shares at 450p each on the basis of one new share for every 1.709 shares held.

Mr Ascher, aged 77, had many approaches for UP, which he brought to the USM in 1983, but was determined not to sell to the competition, and was delighted to be able to agree a deal with "an independent company which I know will safeguard staff interests."

Tyzack has been revitalized in the last few months by Mr John Newman and Mr Nicholas Shipp, who acquired a 39.8 per cent shareholding when their company Deltight International was acquired by Tyzack in February.

They have been looking for what they call "quality niche manufacturing businesses" with strong brand names and market presence, and believe that the prospects of United Packaging will be enhanced by joining the Tyzack group.

Mr Newman claimed yesterday that the reorganization of Tyzack was proceeding well, and that the level of orders was good. The effects of the change in management control will only be partially reflected in the results for the first half of 1987.

Tyzack Turner made a loss of £342,000 in the five months to end-December, on a turnover of £2.62 million. Deltight made profits of £254,000 for the full year 1986 on a turnover of £3.05 million.

The formal offer document is expected to contain a profits estimate for UP for the year to end-April last. The British operations are thought to have seen an improvement, but, due to a fall in the Zimbabwean dollar, overall profits will be lower.



Ernest Ascher, the UP chairman who has accepted the terms

EEC hits back over US pasta imports

By Colin Narbrough

The European Economic Community yesterday threatened immediate trade reprisals against the US if Washington limits imports of pasta from the Community.

The long-running pasta dispute is over a relatively small amount of trade, but diplomats fear a flare-up over spaghetti could develop into a wider transatlantic trade war.

The declaration on pasta, issued by the EEC foreign ministers meeting in Brussels, was in response to a warning letter last week from Mr Clayton Yeutter, the US trade representative, which set August 2 as the deadline for an agreement over the exports.

The dispute centres on export subsidies for pasta produced in the EEC, mainly in Italy, which the Americans consider illegal under present trade rules. The Europeans dispute this, arguing that the subsidy is only intended to allow EEC exporters to compete on an equal footing with US companies.

Pennzoil closer to $4bn Texacodeal

From Andrew Clark, New York

The battle between Texaco and Pennzoil, the US oil groups, may have moved a step closer to agreement yesterday with Pennzoil saying it would settle for $4.1 billion (£2.73 billion), or more than $6 billion less than it won in a court judgment against Texaco last year.

Now valued at $10.3 billion the record judgment was awarded to Pennzoil after a Houston, Texas, jury found that Texaco had improperly acquired Getty Oil, while Getty was engaged in a merger negotiation with Pennzoil.

As the Houston judgment placed a cloud over Texaco's day-to-day commercial operations, in a tactical manoeuvre, Texaco in April sought court protection from being forced to pay the fine by filing for bankruptcy.

Pennzoil made yesterday's proposal in the US Bankruptcy Court in White Plains, New York, where Texaco made its bankruptcy filing. Mr Baine Kerr, chairman of Pennzoil's executive committee, said yesterday the company was not negotiating but "simply including the plan we would like to file."

Mr Harvey Miller, Texaco's counsel, said: "I can't give you an official reaction to the $4.1 billion from Texaco."

Texaco shares rose 37 cents to $45.50 after the Pennzoil announcement while Pennzoil remained steady at $79⅞.

Meanwhile, the Australian entrepreneur, Mr Robert Holmes à Court, apparently sensing that Texaco stock has been undervalued by the complex litigation, has acquired 9.6 per cent in the company and has notified US authorities that he may lift this stake

Ward seeks delay over repayment

By Lawrence Lever

The battle between Guinness and Mr Thomas Ward, its former director, over a £5.2 million payment to Mr Ward is set to return to the High court tommorrow morning. Depending on the outcome, Guinness may have to wait until next year to get hold of all of the money.



Thomas Ward: his solicitors sent $2 million yesterday

The High court ruled on Friday that Mr Ward must repay the £5.2 million plus £700,000 interest and Guinness's costs.

Mr Ward is, however, appealing against the decision and his solicitors, Messrs Calow Easton, said yesterday that they will be applying to the court on Wednesday for a stay of execution of the judgment pending appeal.

Guinness will oppose Mr Ward's application tomorrow.

Meanwhile parts of Friday's judgment took immediate effect and yesterday Mr Ward's solicitors sent $2 million (£1.24 million) out of the £5.2 million to Guinness in America. They also sent draft transfers to Guinness of Mr Ward's entitlement to a tax repayment and various other assets. Together the transfers cover approximately $5.1 million dollars of assets.

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Canary is right note for Reg

Will Canary Wharf be Reg Ward's swan-song? When the charismatic chief executive of the London Docklands Development Corporation will step down was an animated talking point at Limehouse Studios yesterday, when Friday's long-delayed signing of the £3 billion Canary Wharf deal was being celebrated. Ward's forceful style at the LDDC has proved extremely effective in regenerating an urban wasteland, but the corns he has stepped on would fill more shoes than even Imelda Marcos possessed. Officially he could serve five more years, until he is 65. Fans and foes agree that he will leave much sooner, and Ward concurs, but denies suggestions that he is under pressure from members of the LDDC, which is chaired by MEPC chairman Christopher Benson. "I have said for two years that at some point in time when we have reached a peak of creativity it would be time for me to stand down. What they need is a person to carry it through," he said yesterday. Obviously Ward wants to leave on a high note, and few could be higher than the consummation of Canary Wharf. That, the opening of the Light Railway at the end of this month, and the development of the Docklands' own airport would seem achievements enough for anybody, and in October, he expects to have commitments for the development of the huge Royal Docks complex. So when will he make the break? "I have pencilled in March 1989," he confided yesterday, while being hugged by his staff and plied with champagne. Until Friday, when the Canadian Olympia & York property company stepped in to save Canary Wharf, that might have been looking further forward than had been expected — but having put one more major piece in the Docklands Leggo game, Reg Ward is once again in a position to fill his diary in the way he wants.

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Sun rises over Airship

Clues that a bid for British Caledonian was imminent were apparently circulating in the City last week. Not in the bars, but in the skies, where Airship Industries' lighter-than-air tourist transporter regularly drones. For months it has been decorated with the B-Cal name, but on Monday last the livery was changed to that of a Japanese film manufacturer. A cost-saving device? No, said Airship Industries, a long-scheduled mid-season contract change.

Le Bob Noir

Sir Robert Scholey — that Black Bob whose lifetime of service to the steel industry was recognised by his elevation to the chairmanship of British Steel and a knighthood — is clearly on a winning streak. He has just announced BSC profits of £178 million after years of appalling losses and now he has been re-elected president of Eurofer, the grouping of 22 European steelmakers, for a second three-year term. A rare honour, indeed, and, according to an associate, a sign of his popularity among his peers and of his deep knowledge of the industry. But I suspect another reason is that he can swear in fluent French.



"It's all right, dear, it fell off the back of a horse."

A helping hand?

Chris Patten, the Minister for Overseas Development, was yesterday invited in the Commons to take a swipe at Alan Clark, the Minister for Trade, who looks as though he is trying to poach some of the aid portfolio. Last week Clark annoyed the Overseas Development Administration with a package of ideas on how policy should be spruced up. Clearly enjoying the role of provocateur, he wants aid to be more commercially oriented, with less analysis of the aided country's economy and "best interests". Keen to transfer the administration of aid and trade provision to his own realm, Clark also suggests that these funds for supporting export contracts to the Third World, should be made more accessible to small companies, with more emphasis on soft loans, and more say for recipients on how they spend the cash. Replying to a planted question in the House, Patten made clear that ODA appraisal was designed to ensure that aid and trade provision was a "sound investment" for the recipient (not the small businessman). But asked if he thought this aid should best be taken care of by the ODA, he was evasive. A formal response, he said would have to wait. The fight goes on.

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Ray Heath

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Charterhall moves into the black with £3.7m at half-time

By Michael Tate

Charterhall, the fast-growing investment company run by Mr Russell Goward, the Australian entrepreneur, yesterday unveiled profits of £3.74 million for the first half of this year, compared with a £6.16 million loss at the same time last year. Earnings are 3.01p a share against a loss of 10.9p, but there is no dividend.

Mr Goward took control of Charterhall a year ago through his Westmex Group, and has transformed it from a pure oil and gas explorer into a diverse investment company.

More than half its assets are invested outside oil in what he sees as well-managed operating companies, from start-ups to recovery situations. Charterhall's non-oil holdings were valued at £21 million on June 30. They show a £5.8 million paper profit, which will stay in the balance sheet as a provision until realized.

The biggest single investment is a 25 per cent holding in Trilion, the television company. It is believed that



Goward: 'we won't pay more than a company's worth'

Trilion's Limehouse Studios at Canary Wharf could be worth £2 a Trilion share, and Mr Goward, therefore, is among those watching developments at Canary Wharf with keen interest. Charterhall paid an average 106p for its Trilion shares, against yesterday's market price of 154p.

Mr Goward says he has already had "about 10 expressions of interest" in the Charterhall stake from potential buyers. He can expect the telephone to start ringing once a decision on the studio's future has been taken. If offered the right price he will sell, "but I'd be prepared to bid myself if I thought I could acquire Trilion at a realistic price."

The results have pleased Mr Goward — "it's nice to get a few runs on the board" — but he would rather have had a few subsidiaries tucked away by now.

Among Charterhall's other declared interests are a 16.6 per cent holding in Allebone & Sons, 6.59 per cent of Bridport-Gundry, 5.18 per cent of A Goldberg & Sons, and 5.16 per cent of the House of Lerose. "And there are 20 other companies where we have taken stakes of less than 5 per cent," he says.

The group's remaining oil interests, worth £19.2 million at the end of last month, include 7.5 per cent of North Sea block 29/5b, a big gas condensate discovery, 9.5 per cent of 22/5b, the site of the Drake find, and an interest in the Buchan field.

Bank of Japan expects dollar power to continue

Tokyo (AP-Dow Jones) — The dollar's recent strength against the yen will continue, according to a senior official of the Bank of Japan.

The official said that the market is concerned about possible intervention by the authorities, but feels the strength will continue for a while, although uncertainty remains.

He added that the market's concern is in part due to speculation that the US authorities might resume talking the dollar down. Senior US officials had recently agreed to say that a further drop in the dollar is counterproductive.

Other factors that have contributed to the dollar's strength, according to the Bank of Japan official, include efforts by the central bank to maintain interest rate differentials, and some signs of an improvement in US fundamentals. "The markets expect trade and fiscal deficits to improve," he said.

The official said he expects the central bank policy to remain "accommadative," and noted official and market concern following figures which showed the money supply was growing faster than expected, but cited several reasons for the increased growth.

Liberalization on commercial bank deposits and the privatization of the Japanese railway have both led to faster money growth, he said.

"I do not think the money supply will continue to go up at such a fast rate," he said, adding that more official attention will be focused on forthcoming statistics.

The official added that the recent intervention by the Japanese government in the bond market indicated that it needed to stabilize yields.

The Bank of Japan purchased government bonds for the national debt consolidation fund last Friday and yesterday, the first time such a purchase has occurred for more than two years, market sources said.

A few months ago, short-term interest rates had risen above long-term bond yields when a 10-year bond fell to a record low yield of 2.55 per cent.

Floyd Oil Participations in $19m Texaco Spain buy

By Joe Joseph

Floyd Oil Participations, the independent oil and gas explorer, is buying Texaco Spain for $19 million (£11.85 million). It is paying for the purchase with a three-for-four rights issue of 25.32 million shares at 60p each, but expects the acquisition to generate enough cash to be self-financing.

Mr Simon Miller, the former merchant banker who took over as chief executive of Floyd in January, said Texaco Spain would give Floyd access to a geologically attractive basin within western Europe.

He said Spain was one of the few European Economic Community countries still relatively under-explored for oil and gas, and that the country had a favourable tax package for exploration companies.

"It also makes our oil and gas division self-financing and gives it enormous exposure for upside potential," he added.

Texaco Spain owns a portfolio of offshore and onshore acreage, including several prospects in the Gulf of Valencia. Floyd believes the regular income generated by its 25 per cent stake in the Ayoluengo field, Spain's only onshore oilfield, should be enough to finance a sizeable exploration programme.

Texaco Spain, a subsidiary of Texaco Overseas Holdings, is effectively an offshoot of Texaco, the US holding company.

But Mr Miller said Texaco Spain was not subject to any of the restrictions imposed on Texaco, which has been operating under the protection of Chapter 11 of the US bankruptcy code as part of its efforts to limit the effects of a $10 billion damage suit won against it by Pennzoil, the Texas oil company.

Bankers reject debt plan

A Costa Rican plan to reschedule its debt to foreign commercial banks has been rejected by the banks and Costa Rican officials say they believe the Reagan Administration is responsible.

The officials say the decision by the commercial banks holds up negotiations with all international lending institutions and is a further indication of the growing rift between the United States and Costa Rica over policy towards Nicaragua.

"The White House has asked the US Treasury not to intervene on behalf of Costa Rica so commercial bank loans are no longer available to us. This is very serious. It has never happened before," said one Costa Rican official.

The present crisis began last week when a committee, representing almost 200 commerical foreign banks with which Costa Rica has debts pending, announced in New York they were rejecting President Oscar Arias's proposal to reschedule repayments over 20 years with a seven year grace period and much lower interest rate.

Costa Rica, which is spending 40 per cent of its export earnings to service its $3.46 billion (£2.14 billion) foreign debt, had requested the easier conditions of repayment in order to obtain more resources for economic growth. "If we keep on at this rate, the economy will never have a chance to grow and we'll never have enough to pay our debts," said Señor Fernando Naranjo, the finance minister.

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(*458)	420	40	57	70	1	10	15
	460	5	30	45	7	25	30
British Gas	185	24	29	38	¼	2	7
(*189)	180	9½	18	26	1	9	12
	200	⅛	8	17	13	21	25
British Airways	140	25	31	42	⅛	3	8
(*165)	160	6	19	28	2	11	17
	180	⅛	10	20	16	22	26
BP	360	43	56	70	1	9	16
(*401)	390	14	38	51	3	20	26
	420	2	23	39	20	35	41
Britoil	280	47	56	66	1	5	9
(*325)	300	27	41	53	2	10	16
	330	6	26	35	6	20	25
Cons Gold	1100	140	175	206	2	20	37
(*1237)	1150	90	145	175	3	38	58
	1200	—	115	155	—	60	80
Courtaulds	420	88	102	114	1	4	5
(*505)	460	48	68	84	1	8	13
	500	10	36	56	4	20	26
	550	—	20	34	—	50	56
Com Union	330	51	64	72	1	6	8
(*380)	360	22	42	50	2	11	16
	390	2	24	34	15	24	29
Cable & Wire	360	48	63	79	1	7	13
(*407)	390	18	42	60	2	17	25
	420	3	27	40	17	32	44
	450	1½	12	28	55	60	70
GEC	220	28	34	42	1	5	8
(*249)	240	10	24	31	1½	14	17
	260	1	14	22	15	24	28
Grand Met	460	120	127	140	⅛	1	2
(*579)	500	80	900	107	½	3	8
	550	32	52	72	1½	18	24
	600	1½	30	48	23	40	45
ICI	1400	115	150	193	2	27	42
(*1509)	1450	65	115	162	2	42	57
	1500	20	85	133	10	65	77
	1550	3	53	108	45	90	100
Land Securities	500	65	82	97	¼	7	15
(*564)	550	15	50	65	3	23	33
	600	1½	25	40	40	50	62
Marks & Spen	240	27	38	48	½	5	10
(*256)	260	7	27	32	1	11	14
	280	1	16	23	15	22	25
Rolls Royce	110	14	21	26	1	4	7
(*123)	120	4	14	19	2½	9	12
	130	1	10	14	9	16	16
	140	½	7	10	19	23	25
Shell Trans	1400	78	130	175	2	22	40
(*1475)	1450	32	102	145	5	42	70
	1500	5	77	123	30	75	95
Trafalgar House	360	70	77	88	1	4	5
(*426)	390	40	52	68	1	8	13
	420	10	32	50	4	23	27
TSB	80	17	21	24½	¼	2	2½
(*97)	90	7	13	17	½	3	4
	100	1	7½	12	5	6½	8½
Woolworth	400	12	35	55	3	17	30
(*409)	425	2	25	40	20	38	45
	450	½	12	25	45	57	63
	500	¼	5	15	95	97	103

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Bass	950	100	120	140	8	25	33
(*1018)	1000	53	90	115	25	50	60
	1050	40	70	100	55	78	93
GKN	300	95	100	105	1	4	6
(*388)	330	65	75	81	4	9	12
	360	43	53	62	13	18	22
	390	24	38	47	26	33	34
Jaguar	500	98	118	128	7	12	15
(*586)	550	58	85	97	17	25	30
	600	28	52	68	38	48	55

	Series	Sep Dec	Mar Sep	Dec Mar
Amstrad	180	34 42	50 4	8 11
(*187)	180	19 30	36 10	17 21
	200	10 19	26 20	25 30
Beecham	460	130 138	— 2	4 —
(*581)	500	93 103	115 4	11 14
	550	51 67	83 12	23 28
	600	24 40	57 35	45 50
Boots	280	37 44	54 7	9 14
(*305)	300	25 34	43 12	16 23
	330	12 22	30 31	35 39
BTR	300	57 62	72 1½	6 9
(*349)	330	32 42	53 7	13 19
	360	15 24	35 22	29 33
Blue Circle	475	70 88	— 3	10 —
(*535)	500	52 75	93 10	20 30
	550	23 45	68 35	47 55
De Beers	1100	270 320	— —	60 —
(*1390)	1200	200 260	— 70	100 —
	1300	140 210	— 125	140 —
	1400	93 155	— —	— —
Dixons (*377)	351	38 —	— 5	— —

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Dixons cont	360	—	50	58	—	16	22
	381	22	—	—	20	—	—
Glaxo	1650	210	255	305	22	48	65
(*1814)	1700	175	220	270	34	63	80
	1750	140	190	240	50	82	97
	1800	115	160	215	70	103	120
Hanson	135	56	—	—	½	—	—
(*188)	150	41	—	—	1	—	—
	160	—	36½	37½	—	2½	4
	180	15½	21½	24½	4½	7	10
Sears	140	37	41	44½	1	3	3½
(*175)	160	19½	24	28½	2	5½	7½
	180	7	13	18	9½	12½	15
Tesco	183	23	30	32	6	10	12
(*195)	200	10	17	25	14	18	20
	220	4	10	20	26	30	34
Thorn EMI	650	144	167	—	2	3	—
(*781)	700	95	118	137	4	9	17
	750	65	84	105	18	25	35
	800	30	54	77	37	50	60
THF	240	33	40	45	2	4	5
(*270)	260	18	28	34	7	10	14
	280	10	20	25	19	21	24

	Series	Aug Nov	Feb Aug	Nov Feb
Brit Aero	500	42 60	75 10	20 28
(*529)	550	15 37	50 43	47 53
	600	5 17	30 72	85 90
BAT Inds	500	170 177	192 1	2 3
(*562)	550	120 130	145 1	6 9
	600	70 87	105 2	14 18
	650	35 57	77 17	30 37
Brit Telecom	260	30 36	— 1½	5 —
(*288)	280	14 26	38 6	14 16
	300	5 16	26 21	26 30
Cadbury Schwpps	240	43 49	57 1	3 5
(*280)	260	23 33	41 3	6 11
	280	11 23	30 9	17 21
Guinness	330	42 55	67 3	10 17
(*369)	360	22 40	48 10	20 27
	390	6 25	35 27	35 43
Ladbroke	373	75 —	— 1	— —
(*444)	403	47 60	— 2	9 —
	443	18 35	— 15	25 —
LASMO	280	91 98	106 1½	2 3
(*356)	300	71 80	90 1½	3 7
	330	43 61	70½ 5	11 16
Plessey	200	25 32	40 2	7 8
(*219)	220	13 19	26 10	16 21
	240	4 12	18 24	30 37
P & O	638	135 145	165 2	6 7
(*769)	688	85 95	133 3	13 15
	750	35 62	80 15	25 35
Prudential	1050	52 87	117 20	47 57
(*1069)	1100	30 62	92 45	72 82
Racal	240	45 54	62 1	5 7
(*284)	260	26 38	47 2	10 13
	280	18 27	38 13	17 24
RTZ	1000	245 255	285 3	7 10
(*1234)	1050	195 210	245 3	11 16
	1100	145 175	210 7	20 30
	1150	105 145	185 15	38 53
Vaal Reef	130	16 21½	29 5½	11 17½
(*144)	140	9 15½	25 9	14½ 22½
	150	5½ 12	20½ 16	19½ 20½

	Series	Aug Dec	Mar Aug	Dec Mar
Barclays	500	150 157	175 2	6 10
(*643)	550	102 112	125 4	10 17
	600	57 77	95 8	17 27
Midland Bank	600	47 72	85 10	17 25
(*641)	650	12 42	57 27	32 42
	700	4 18	— 72	75 —

	Series	Sep Dec	Mar Sep	Dec Mar
Lonrho	218	89 —	— 1	— —
(*309)	236	71 75	— 1	2 —
	255	54 58	— 1½	4 —
	273	37 43	— 3	7 —
	300	18 28	35 11	14 18

	Series	Aug Nov	Feb Aug	Nov Feb
Tr 11¾% 1991	106	1 1/16	2 2½	¼ 1 3/32	1 7/16
(£108)	108	7/16	1 1½	1 3/16	2 1/16	2½
	110	3/32	5/16	½	2¾	3¾	4 3/16
	112	1/16	3/32	3/16	4¾	5 1/16	5½
Tr 11¾% 03/07	118	3¼	4 9/16	—	¼	1¾	—
(£121)	120	2 1/16	3½	4¼	4 3/16	4 5/16	3¾
	122	1 3/16	2 9/16	3¾	1¾	3¾	4 7/16
	124	½	3 1/16	2½	3 1/16	4⅝	5⅝
	126	¼	1 5/16	1¾	5	6 1/16	7

	Series	Jul Aug	Sep Oct	Jul Aug	Sep Oct
FT-SE	2100	305 317	— —	½ 1½	— —
Index	2150	255 267	280 —	½ 3	10 —
(*2398)	2200	205 220	235 —	½ 6	15 —
	2250	155 175	190 215	1 12	25 35
	2300	105 133	153 180	3 22	35 45
	2350	65 952	120 145	11 37	50 60
	2400	35 67	92 115	32 55	70 77
	2450	10 40	68 90	65 82	95 103

July 20, 1987. Total contracts 40176. Calls 30133. Puts 10043.
FT-SE Index. Calls 843. Puts 1622
*Underlying security price.

COMPANY NEWS

HOBSONS PUBLISHING: The company has conditionally agreed to acquire Johansen Publications for £1,050,000 through the issue of 251,498 new shares. Further consideration of up to £100,000 may be payable dependent on profit.

WATSON & PHILIP: The company conditionally contracted to acquire Turner Brothers Bakers Sundries, which supplies manufacturing bakers, caterers and allied trades, and to acquire Ian Yates, which operates a specialist confectionery and tobacco cash and carry business. Consideration for Turners is approximately £1,850,000 and for Yates approximately £3,100,000. The combined consideration is to be satisfied by the issue of 2,152,174 new ordinary.

THOMAS ROBINSON: The company is to acquire Hambro Machinery for approximately £5 million to be satisfied by the allotment of 861,894 shares. Phillips & Drew has agreed to place at 588p 811,988 ordinary shares allotted as consideration for the acquisition and certain of the expenses of the placing. The vendors have agreed to retain the balance for at least 12 months.

TDK CORPORATION: Six months ended 31.5.87. Dividend Y20 (Y20). Figs in Ym. Net sales 192,113 (185,912). Operating profit 21,323 (20,485). Earnings before income tax 24,179 (19,725). Interim net earnings 10,081 (7,962). Earnings per share Y83.76 (Y66.15). Total assets 418,208 (370,375).

JERMYN INVESTMENTS CO: Dividend 2.5p for 1986 (2p for 11 months to 31.12.85). Pretax profit £231,729 (£125,611). Tax £69,910 (£13,294). Earnings per share 16.18p (11.23p).

G M FIRTH (HOLDINGS): Final 1p making 1.5p (1p) for year to 31.3.87. Figures in £000. Group turnover 61,605 (50,052). Profit before tax 3,107 (2,480). Tax 1,085 (893). Minorities debit 132 (154). Extraordinary debit 216 (106). Earnings per share 5.68p (4.36p).

APPLIED HOLOGRAPHICS: Year to 31.3.87. Figures in pounds. Turnover 1,291,840 (484,011). Gross profit 295,496 (77,015). Other operating expenses 1,301,290 (957,240). Operating loss 1,005,794 (880,225 loss). Investment income 192,283 (236,096). Interest payable 9,088 (25,707). Loss before tax 822,599 (669,836 loss).

● **HAMPSON INDUSTRIES:** A final dividend of 1p making 1.375p (1.132p adjusted) will be paid for the year to March 31. Group turnover £31,569,537 (£24,645,924). Group net profit £2,826,985 (£1,719,887). Tax £1,055,996 (£709,336). Minorities £4,362 (nil). Extraord debit (net of tax £173,976 (£28,941). Earnings per share 6.01p (3.77p). A one-for-five capitalization issue is proposed.

● **ERSKINE HOUSE GROUP:** The company has conditionally agreed to acquire Ameritech Equipment, a copier distribution and servicing operation at Los Angeles for a maximum of $7.5 million (£4.6 million), payable over two years and depending on profits.

● **JONES, STROUD HOLDINGS:** A final payment of 6.5p making 10p (8.5p) will be made for the year to March 31. With figures in £000: Turnover net 45,333 (42,066). Trading profit 4,517 (4,096). Associated companies' profit 153 (669). Interest payable net 48 (575). Pretax profit 4,622 (4,190). Tax 1,702 (1,693). Extraordinary credit 2,106 (nil). A one-for-one scrip issue is proposed.

● **DEWHURST:** For the six months to March 29 an interim dividend of 0.47p (0.4p) will be paid. Turnover £2,526,105 (£2,236,095). Trading profit before tax £231,689 (£187,369). Tax £63,000 (£45,000). Earnings per share 2.34p (1.98p).

● **GREENFRIAR INVESTMENT CO:** Half-year to June 30. Income from investments: dividends £288,078 (£208,781), interest on short-term deposits 20,538 (19,040), other income £13,118 (£28,096). Revenue before tax £134,310 (£112,491). Net asset value per share 574.9p (416.7p), eps 1.03p (0.93p).

● **THORPAC GROUP:** Final dividend 0.833p making 1.66p (0.83p) for the year to March 31. Figures in (£000). Turnover 4,562 (4,651), gross profit 1,560 (1,570), operating profit 413 (336), pretax profit 412 (231), earnings per ordinary share 3.2p (2.1p) and fully diluted 3.0p.

● **BRISTOL CHANNEL SHIP REPAIRERS:** Results for 52 weeks to March 27. No dividend (nil). Group turnover £1.66 million (£3.06 million), group loss before tax £375,045 (£357,940 loss). Loss per ordinary share 0.47p (0.45p loss).

● **INDEPENDENT INVESTMENT CO:** Dividend 2.5p (1.75p). Year to June 30. Figures in £000. Net asset value per ordinary share 315.5p (300.8p), pretax profit 1,587 (883), earnings per ordinary share 3.64p (1.86p).

● **ANGIO UNITED DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:** The company has agreed to acquire the wholesale coal merchanting operations of Fife Freight Handling Company and the coal retailing activities of W&A Matthew, both based in Kirkaldy, Fife. Joint consideration is about £650,000.

● **EDENDERRY SHOES:** The board has announced a rights issue of nine million new shares on a three-for-one basis at 35p to raise IR£3.46 million (£3.06 million) for expansion and diversification.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Britannia Gp	185 –6	Glamar Gp	251
Babygro	158 +1	Graham Motor Gp (140p)	186
Caradon (250p)	357 –9	Harland Simon	222 –1
Colourvision	180 –3	Hay & Croft (63p)	178
Cresta Hldgs	210 +5	ITL Info (105p)	124 +2
Doeflex (135p)	208	Knobs&Knockers	162 +2
Elga Group (95p)	165 –1	Lancaster (165p)	235
Econ Forestry	120 –3	Lmmth Burchett (175p)	206
		March Group	156 –1
		Monarch Pet (295p)	333 –13
		Parkway	273 –2
		Perpetual (180p)	195
		Pickwick	235
		Primadona	206 –2
		Reliance Sec	253
		River & Mercantile	233
		Rolls-Royce (85p)	123 –1
		Ross Consumer (165p)	240 –5
		SEP Indl	46 +1
		Shelton (Martin) (150p)	86 –1
		Stanco Exhib	58
		USDC Inv	173

RIGHTS ISSUES

Br Printing N/P	57 +3
Eagle Tst N/P	20 +¾
Egerton Tst N/P	295 –1
Ent Prods N/P	48 –8
Frogmore N/P	35 –5
Helene N/P	37 –3
Hughes N/P	35 –2
Julianas N/P	34 –2
Laidlaw N/P	40 –2
Magnet & Sthn N/P	16½

(Issue price in brackets).

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range July 20	Market rates close July 20	1 month	3 months
N York	1.6035-1.6085	1.6035-1.6045	0.36-0.33prem	0.91-0.86prem
Montreal	2.1126-2.1204	2.1139-2.1168	0.19-0.09prem	0.34-0.22prem
Amsterdam	3.3547-3.3659	3.3585-3.3630	1¼-1prem	3¼-3prem
Brussels	61.78-61.96	61.83-61.95	19-12prem	40-34prem
C'phgen	11.3067-11.3489	11.3146-11.3377	¼-⅜dis	2½-3¼dis
Dublin	1.1123-1.1167	1.1125-1.1135	par	2-12dis
Frankfurt	2.9814-2.9908	2.9841-2.9884	1½-1¼prem	3¾-3¼prem
Lisbon	232.09-233.41	232.03-232.97	95-145dis	378-401dis
Madrid	204.22-205.36	204.29-204.52	117-198dis	342-440dis
Milan	2155.79-2164.23	2157.51-2162.06	1-6dis	5-11dis
Oslo	10.8687-10.8060	10.8687-10.8915	4¼-5dis	13-13¾dis
Paris	9.9220-9.9554	9.9257-9.9399	1⅝-1½prem	3¼-2¾prem
St'khlm	10.3747-10.4085	10.3747-10.3924	¾-⅝prem	¾-½prem
Tokyo	244.84-245.78	244.85-245.25	1¼-1prem	3⅛-2⅞prem
Vienna	20.95-21.00	20.95-20.98	9½-8¾prem	26⅞-23⅝ prem
Zurich	2.4805-2.4902	2.4838-2.4878	1⅜-1⅛prem	3¼-3⅛prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down at 73.0 (day's range 73.0-73.1).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	3.0457-3.0589
Australia dollar	2.2701-2.2732
Bahrain dinar	0.6040-0.6080
Brazil cruzado*	71.9875-72.3934
Cyprus pound	0.7760-0.7860
Finland marks	7.2075-7.2475
Greece drachma	224.65-226.65
Hong Kong dollar	12.533-12.543
India rupee	20.92-21.12
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4560-0.4600
Malaysia dollar	4.0960-4.0951
Mexico peso	2210.0-2260.0
New Zealand dollar	2.6486-2.6527
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.0050-6.0450
Singapore dollar	3.4046-3.4084
S Africa rand (fin)	5.3460-5.4400
S Africa rand (com)	3.3131-3.3221
U A E dirham	5.8800-5.9200

*Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.4400-1.4430
Singapore	2.1210-2.1220
Malaysia	2.5485-2.5495
Australia	0.7066-0.7071
Canada	1.3168-1.3191
Sweden	6.4675-6.4725
Norway	6.7750-6.7800
Denmark	7.0450-7.0500
West Germany	1.8590-1.8600
Switzerland	1.5475-1.5485
Netherlands	2.0915-2.0925
France	6.1875-6.1925
Japan	152.65-152.75
Italy	1344.1-1344.6
Belgium(Comm)	38.50-38.53
Hong Kong	7.8080-7.8090
Portugal	144.80-145.30
Spain	127.37-127.47
Austria	13.05-13.07

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

ALPHA STOCKS

Company	Volume '000	Company	Volume '000	Company	Volume '000
Allied-Lyons	3,400	English China	231	Rank Org	730
Amstrad	1,900	Fisons	1,000	Rank Hovis	381
Argyll	898	Gen Accident	183	Redland	47
ASDA-MFI	6,800	GEC	23,000	Reckitt Colman	38
Ass Br Foods	257	GKN	1,800	Reed Int	1,000
BET	870	Glaxo	1,300	Reuters	646
BTR	1,600	Globe IT	75	RMC Group	148
BAT	2,100	Granada	1,600	RTZ	450
Barclays	797	Grand Met	1,900	Rolls-Royce	3,300
Bass	294	GUS 'A'	132	Rowntree	456
Beecham	1,600	GRE	405	Royal B of Scot	1,300
Blue Circle	438	Guinness	4,900	Royal Ins	3,700
BOC	1,300	Hammerson 'A'	196	Saatchi	228
Boots	3,900	Hanson	3,000	Sainsbury (J)	231
BPB Ind	151	Hawker Siddeley	803	Sears	4,300
BPCC	804	Hillsdown	1,500	Sedgwick Gp	577
Br Aerospace	2,400	Imp Chem Ind	871	Shell	1,300
Br Airways	5,200	Jaguar	1,100	Smith & Nephew	1,000
Brit Comm	1,400	Ladbroke	222	STC	6,600
Br Gas	5,500	Land Securities	1,300	Stan Chart	818
Br Petroleum	8,200	Legal & Gen	2,900	Storehouse	2,600
Br Telecom	2,800	Lloyds	2,100	Sun Alliance	232
Britoil	4,200	Lonhro	863	Tarmac	1,100
Bunzl	1,300	Marks & Spencer	2,400	TSB P/P	8,400
Burton	1,700	MEPC	683	Tesco	1,300
Cable & Wireless	780	Midland	1,800	Thorn EMI	1,600
Cadbury Schwep	1,400	Nat West	1,100	Trafalgar House	506
Coats Viyella	332	Next	954	Trusthouse Forte	1,300
Com Union	5,700	P & O Dfrd	194	Unigate	859
Cons Goldfields	693	Pearson	250	Unilever	1,100
Cookson Gp	385	Pilkington Bros	537	Utd Biscuits	1,200
Courtaulds	477	Plessey	4,800	Wellcome	657
Dee Corp	1,700	Prudential	219	Whitbread 'A'	256
Dixons Gp	1,200	Racal Elect	896	Woolworth	1,400

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 9
Finance House 9

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 9⅝ Low 8⅝
Week fixed: 8 13/16

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying	Selling
2 mnth 8 27/32	2 mnth 8 26/32
3 mnth 8 27/32	3 mnth 8 25/32

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 8 27/32–8 21/32 2 mnth 8 27/32–8 25/32
3 mnth 8 27/32–8 23/32 6 mnth 8 13/32–8 11/32

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 9 15/32 2 mnth 9 5/32
3 mnth 9 1/32 6 mnth 9 1/16

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 8⅝ close 11
1 week 9⅛–9 6 mnth 9 5/16–9 3/16
1 mnth 9 1/16–9 9 mnth 9¼–9⅛
3 mnth 9 3/16–9 1/16 12 mth 9 1/16–9 1/16

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 8¾ 7 days 8¾
1 mnth 8¾ 3 mnth 8 15/16
6 mnth 8 15/16 12 mth 9

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 9 15/16–9 11/16 2 mnth 9 15/16–9 11/16
3 mnth 9 15/16–9 11/16 6 mnth 9 15/16–9 11/16
9 mnth 9 15/16–9 13/16 12 mth 9½–9¼

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 9-8¾ 3 mnth 9 1/16–8 15/16
6 mnth 9 1/16–9 1/16 12 mth 9 1/16–9 1/16

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 6.70-6.65 3 mnth 6.80-6.75
6 mnth 6.95-6.90 12 mth 7.35-7.30

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar	call 7-6
7 days 6 1/16-6¼	1 mnth 6 11/16-6 9/16
3 mnth 6 1/16-6 1/16	6 mnth 7 1/16-6 15/16
Deutschemark	call 4-3
7 days 4-3¾	1 mnth 3¾-3½
3 mnth 3¾-3⅝	6 mnth 4 1/16-3 15/16
French Franc	call 8¼-7¼
7 days 7½-7⅜	1 mnth 7⅝-7½
3 mnth 7 1/16-7 3/16	6 mnth 8 1/16-8 1/16
Swiss Franc	call 1¼

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Equities in retreat

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began July 13. Dealings end July 24. §Contango day July 27. Settlement day August 3. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices are recorded at 5pm. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close and may differ from changes calculated by comparing 5pm prices, published the previous day. Where one price is quoted, it is a middle price. Changes, yields and price earnings ratios are based on middle prices. (aa) denotes Alpha Stocks. (VOLUMES PAGE 22)

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Hambros	Banks,Discount	
2	System Designers	Electricals	
3	Scantronic	Electricals	
4	AB Elect	Electricals	
5	Electronic Mach	Electricals	
6	Yule Catto	Chemicals,Plas	
7	Grampian Hldgs	Industrials E-K	
8	Broken Hill	Industrials A-D	
9	AIM	Industrials A-D	
10	Brierley Inv	Industrials A-D	
11	Folkes Group N/V	Industrials E-K	
12	Aran Energy	Oil & Gas	
13	Brown Shipley	Banks,Discount	
14	Manders	Building,Roads	
15	Iceland Frozen	Foods	
16	Stone Intl	Electricals	
17	P-E International	Electricals	
18	Blagden	Chemicals,Plas	
19	Telephone Rentals	Electricals	
20	Goring Kerr	Industrials E-K	
21	GEC (aa)	Electricals	
22	Russell (A)	Industrials L-R	
23	Cowan De Groot	Industrials A-D	
24	Wyndham Eng	Industrials S-Z	
25	Wagon Ind	Industrials S-Z	
26	Swire Pacific 'A'	Industrials S-Z	
27	MIL Research	Paper,Printing	
28	MY Holdings	Industrials L-R	
29	Jardine Math	Industrials E-K	
30	Lawtex	Industrials L-R	
31	Ash & Lacey	Industrials A-D	
32	HK Shanghai	Banks,Discount	
33	Third Mile	Industrials S-Z	
34	Five Oaks	Property	
35	Norton Opax	Paper,Print,Adv	
36	Meat Trade Supp	Foods	
37	Underwoods	Drapery,Stores	
38	Blick	Electricals	
39	Wholesale Fitting	Electricals	
40	Tex Hldgs	Industrials S-Z	
41	Jackson	Oil & Gas	
42	Ford Motor	Motors,Aircraft	
43	Sm. Hundred	Industrials S-Z	
44	Beckman (A)	Textiles	

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

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BREWERIES

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
471	317	Allied-Lyons (aa)	456	457	-8½	15.8	3.5	13.5
195	113	Boss (aa)	10½	10¾	-¼	24.1	2.4	18.7
77	61	Belhaven	70	72	+1	3.0	1.4	36.0
1515	1321	Bodmington	1338	1411	-1	57	3.8	15.3
572	537	Brown (Matthew)	570	575	+9	20.2b	3.8	23.5
186	131	Burtleys	175	178	-1	4.4	2.5	34.6
219	141	Bulmer (H P)	211	216	-4	7.8	3.7	16.5
779	669	Barbarossa Brew	769	775	-1	16.0	2.1	21.8
517	449	Clark (Matthew)	517	522		17.6	3.4	17.8
352	292	Dawnay (UA)	347	350	-1	4.9	1.4	48.4
279½	187	Greenall Whitley	248	250	-2	7.8	3.1	15.0
401	297	Greene King	398	399	-4	8.9	2.2	19.7
390	264	Guinness (aa)	380	381	+9	11.2	2.9	13.2
790	473	Hardys & Hansons	780	800		28.4	3.5	17.4
94	68	Highgate Dist	90	94	-1	3.1	3.3	18.0
1035	108	Invergordon Dist	1035	103	-2	3.8	3.6	12.5
335	145	Irish Dist	214	219	-3	6.0	2.8	
154	113	Marston Thompson	150	152	-1½	3.5	2.3	18.1
303	265	Morland	300	300	-3	9.9	3.3	28.9
408	137	SA Breweries	380	400				
2641	178	Scot & Nwe (aa)	252	255	-3½	10.9	4.3	13.9
5460	4666	Vaux	5500	5555	-45	186.0	3.4	19.5
285	272	Whitbread 'A' (aa)	280	282	-4	12.4	4.4	15.6
400	248	Do B	390	398	-1	12.4	3.1	16.6
365	236	Whitbread Inv	350	360	-8	11.3	3.2	41.3
388	277	Wolverhampton & D	385	386	-1	7.0	1.8	21.8
415	274	Young A	410	480	+2	11.8	2.4	27.7

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
440	193	Abbey	438	450				
297	225	Aberdeen Constr	283	288	+11	12.1	4.2	22.7
449	270	Amec	443	446	+4½	16.4	3.7	16.8
57	28	Anglo Utd	56	58	+1	1.4	2.1	
142	98	Ashville	132	136		3.8	2.8	22.2
324	217	Ashtenden	316	320	-3	7.2	2.3	24.4
852	527	BPB Ind (aa)	852	858	-14	17.7	2.0	18.5
308	97	Baggeridge Brick	298	308	+1	2.7	0.9	46.9
94	54	Bailey (Geo) Constr	81	84		0.9	1.1	16.6
262	158	Barratt Devs	238	239	+1	11.4	4.8	10.6
307	160	Bellway	305	310		10.3	3.3	16.7
539	134	Beazeley Gp	515	525	-1	3.4	0.7	30.2
148	98	Bett Bros	144	146	-1	4.5	3.1	15.0
23	137	Blackwy	556	560	+25	5.9	1.0	48.0
574	335	Blue Circle	530	537	-15	15.8	3.0	14.4
205	156	Brewster&Stead Hld	199	219		7.7	3.7	39.7
198	66	Br Dredging	196	199	+1	5.5	2.8	36.9
81	141	Brown & Jackson	68½	69½				
180	79	Bryant	180	182	-1	3.0b	2.2	18.5
38½	31	Burnett & Hallam	36	38				3.2
202	149	CRH	173	178				
160	80	Cawdwood Robey	145	155		5.2	3.5	18.8
183	174	Church Charles	160	165	-10	16.3	2.3	19.4
276	150	Conder Grp	272	277	-5	5.5	2.0	31.8
354	246½	Costain	348	352	-5	12.0	3.4	12.7
134	120	Countryside	128	129	+1	3.0	2.3	43.7
215	129	Douglas (Hdg)	210	217	+1	7.7	3.7	43.1
203	178	Eaga	216	215	+5	5.9	2.8	21.9
213	158	Fairclough (C)	213	215		5.9	2.8	21.9
1	1	Do A (aa)	1½	1¾				
1	1	Hanis Queensway	225	227	-4	7.9	3.5	20.9
75	25	Hanson Oil London	58	71		2.0	2.8	35.5
67	43	Hollies	67	69	-5	12.9	3.7	19.3
345	290	Hunt (Jas)	335	340		5.3	2.0	31.8
1365	1000	Jones (Ernest)	1335	1365		53.0	3.9	12.2
113	43½	Lakes Price	108	113		1.0	1.0	23.1
331	142	Lee Cooper	328	331	-1	6.3b	2.8	22.8
107	60	Lilleshall	105	107	-2	3.0	2.8	22.8
102	102	Marks Spencer (aa)	264	266	-6	6.2	2.3	26.1
304	314	Marstons (John)	510	515		6.4	1.2	34.0
695	560	Moss Bros	810	835		8.7	1.1	32.7
363	335	Nicholl (aa)	350	355	-8	7.8	2.2	16.9
470	305	Oliver (G)	460	480		13.7	2.9	20.5
184½	67	Pardoe	181	183	+2	4.3	2.3	21.1
251	121	Pressy (Alfred)	182	184		5.7	3.1	27.9
399	218	Raimers, Group	395	398	-1	9.6	2.4	16.1
149		Do Pf	214	216	+1	8.0	3.7	20.1
265	250	Read (Alpstew)	260	265	+2	8.9	3.4	27.1
265	167	Do 'A'	247	249	-2	8.9	3.6	18.2
5	5	S & U Stores	175	180	-2	3.4	1.9	28.5
182	123	Sears (aa)	174	175½		6.5	3.7	19.9
465	270	Smith (WH) 'A'	384	386	-11	9.1	2.4	22.9
80½	58	Do 'B'	78	79		1.9	2.3	23.2
545	318	Tarmac	515	540	-37	35.0	6.5	36.8
78	45	Tawding & Mills	71	74	-1	2.3	3.1	19.0
242	156	Tilcon	238	242	-1	4.5	1.9	23.7
43	29	Tilley Tst	41½	42½	+1			
529	363	Tilbrookcomponents	529	533	-4	10.1	1.9	31.5
151	98	Trec Conn Process	148	150	-1½	2.5	1.7	18.1
155	55	Trecmmac Mach	148	150	+2			
84	48	Tricentrol Rentals	81	83	-1	4.4	5.4	
501	280	Tunnes Lighting	498	503		8.5	1.7	32.8
505	273	Turnthorn	470	475	-1	7.2	1.5	20.9
215	92½	Kid Elect	206	208	+1½	5.8	2.8	20.6
1028	1018	Tunnel Elect	1070	1074	-2	37.0	3.4	20.2
153	98	Tunnels	149	150		4.8	3.2	18.9
152	98	Tunnel Tech	115	115	-2	1.0	0.9	20.8
292	180	UEC (aa)	290	292	+2	9.2	3.2	20.2
191	94	Ugland Int	191	194		5.0	2.6	19.5
262	146	Hoskyns Gp	255	260	-4	2.2	0.9	34.4
82	57	IBL	82	87	+2	11	1.3	11.8
237	194	Int Signal & Control	231	234	-2	10	0.4	
385	250	James Sharp	380	384		13.0	3.4	12.7
483	350	Nede	470	480	+2	19.2	4.0	20.2
380	248	Lec Refrigeration	375	385		17.1	4.5	18.1
360	310	Logica	350	360	-1	2.7	0.8	45.0
248	196	Lucas Inds	242	245	-3	16.0	6.5	16.9
344	215	Macro 4	327	330		2.6	0.8	35.0
400	315	Marconi	317	318	+3½	4.5	1.4	33.0
171	85	MBS	152	157		0.7	0.5	
183	153	Mansfield Rapco	160	163		4.7	2.9	18.5
207	97	Micro Focus	155	160	+3	2.7	1.7	46.6
441	206½	Microgen	408	415	-2	8.2	2.0	34.6
406	270	Micro	290	300	-10			
395	304	Molins	394	396	+4½			
87	57	Multistatic Elect	71	76	-1	0.1e	0.1	55.6
61	53	Murray Elect	58	61	+1	0.5	0.5	59.8
283	250	Newmark (Louis)	280	300		19.2	6.4	10.9
134		NEI	134	135½	+1	7.2	5.3	56.1
43	17	Norcros	37	39	-1			7.7
454	318	Oxford Instruments	396	400	+5	3.7	0.8	14.5
291	165	P-E International	258	262	+2	3.7	1.4	27.7
101	86	Pheonix	86½	90½	-½	0.7	0.8	43.3
112½	95	Philips Fin 5½%	110	115		5.5	5.1	
167	134	Philips Lamps N/V	164					
267	224	Pace	262	266	-2	8.9	3.4	13.6
293	200	Pearl	200	205		8.9	4.4	10.4
258	178	Pilkington (aa)	218	220	-6	7.9	3.6	13.7
218	176	Do A DR '25						
308	165	Prosser	305	310	-7	3.6	1.2	28.5
215	129	Quest Automation	215	217	+1	12.0	5.5	11.9
202	184	Racal Elect (aa)	201	205	-2	4.5	1.6	19.9
2	1	Ross Concourse	235	245	-5	4.8	2.0	25.0
296	111	Scanvonic	290	300	+5	2.7	0.9	38.4
326	225	Scapdec (GH)	320	325		16.4	5.0	24.5
81	40	Sound Diffusion	74½	77½	-3	0.8	1.1	11.0
331	169	STC (aa)	310	312	-10	6.4	2.1	16.2
158	98	Stone Inv	153	155	-6	6.9	5.1	29.0
101	65	System Designers	95	99	-5	6.8	6.8	34.7
142½	117½	TDK	184	190	+1			
326	183	Telephone Rentals	310	312	+3	11.1	3.6	35.2
76	48	Telemetrix	58	61		2.3	4.2	11.9
530	468	THORN EMI (aa)	503	505	-17	25.3	5.1	10.7
451	305	Tomkins	445	455	-1	17.0	3.8	27.5
496	347	UEI	477	485		8.1	1.7	23.3
317	185	Unigate	306	312	-5	9.8	3.1	22.9
396	265	Unilever	385	387	-3	10.6	2.7	16.6
365	183	Utd Scientific	348	352	-11	8.5	2.4	
562	404	Vickers Inds	558	565		5.1	0.9	23.9
436	227	Video	435	440		13.7	3.1	19.9
200	145	Waterford Glass	195	197	-1	4.4	2.4	28.7
482	295	Wholesale Fittings	477	487	+4	12.5	2.6	21.0

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Change	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
51½	38	AECI N/V Bearer	51½			4.0	7.8	
246	241	Allied Colloids	238	240	-6	5.1	1.5	35.0
465	452	Amersham	460	463	-5	11.2	1.8	25.7
450	295	Ascton Chemical	445	455	-5	6.9	1.5	18.2
235	155	BTP	194	194	-6½	7.5	3.8	21.4
119	94	Baker DM50	110	112		3.7	3.3	30.3
235	132	Bibby	232	237	+4	9.9	4.2	23.7
231	163	Brent Chems	223	227	-5	6.3b	2.8	22.8
148	60	Br Benzol	146	148	-3	2.7	1.8	15.6
213	139	Burgess (W)	210	213	-2	5.1	2.4	19.8
230	213	Cookson	225	230	+3	12.0	5.2	13.6
378	213	Coates Bros	370	380	+3	7.8	2.1	19.3
302	111	Do 'A'	300	305	-6	7.8	2.6	16.9
45	20	Cory (Horace)	43	45		0.9	2.2	14.4
265	172	Crodo	260	262	-2	11.0	4.3	21.1
247	154	Do DM	245	245	-2			20.0
221	151	Elis & Everard	217	220	-1	9.8	2.5	19.7
276	190	Fobel	270	272	-2	9.2	3.4	17.7
164	124	Glaxo	160	162	-2	4.4	2.7	31.4
250	225	Glaxo-Allenap	250	255	-3	12.8	5.1	20.0
231	136	Hazlewood Foods	212	215		6.0	2.8	13.7
338	172	Hollands	330	335		5.2	1.5	21.8
218	98	Horne Farm	198	200		4.5	2.3	29.2
229	170	Horder Sachs	207	209	-5	6.5	3.1	27.9
483	271	Hoskin Scott	455	465	+10	11.2	2.4	22.5
431	215	Ilford	395	400		8.6	2.2	22.5
315	133	Less (John J)	255	265	-5	6.0	2.3	21.4
238	85	Lovell (GF)	230	240		5.7	2.9	21.4
700	566	Low (Wm)	695	705		16.2	2.3	21.4
197	190	Lyon (Bernard)	197	198	-6	7.4	3.7	15.4
365	302	Mest Trace Supp	360	365	+5	7.3	2.0	25.4
377	201	Morrison (W)	377	381	-14	7.7	2.0	20.1
378	208	Nichols (JH) (Yemen)	367	377		7.7	2.0	20.1
82	57	Nobo	82	84	-2	2.2	2.6	37.1
242	146	Nmn Foods	213	215	-1	13.2	6.1	13.8
202	156	Norden & Peacock	198	199	+1	5.3	2.6	16.8
313	178	Park Foods	295	305	-1	10.3	3.4	20.9
215	170	Pittard Group	215	220	+5	8.0	3.6	21.2
571	402	Rowntree (aa)	571	575	-6	18.6	3.2	16.3
302	209	Sainsbury (J) (aa)	280	283	-5	4.6	1.6	26.6
196	142	Safeseion (Desn)	187	188	-1	4.0	2.7	45.7
200	85	Sketchley	200	205				
618	560	Tate & Lyle	609	612		32.9	3.7	17.0
113	51	Taverns Rutledge	111	115		1.4	1.2	12.5
369	130	Tesco (aa)	367	368		7.7	2.1	19.6
241	171½	Unichemicals	207	212	+3	3.4	1.6	30.6
447	341	Ward White	413	416	-7	16.7	2.6	17.7
345	275	Wicked	340	350				
138	68	Wimdsmoor	124	126	+2	4.5	3.6	14.9
488	340	Woolworth (aa)	405	408	-10	11.0	2.7	

ELECTRICALS

437	333	AB Elect	415	423	+1	13.7	3.3	21.8
466	207	Alphasonic	453	466	+1	3.4	0.7	29.8
224½	137	Amstrad (aa)	188	190	-2	8.6	0.3	19.8

BRITISH FUNDS

1987 High	Low	Stock	Price	Chge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
102¼	95½	Treas 12% 1987	100¾	..		
99¼	86¼	Treas 7¼% 1985-88	99¾	● ..	7.8	9.074
102¼	96	Exch 10½% 1988	101	..	10.4	9.070
101⅝	96½	Treas 9¾% 1988	100¾	..	9.7	9.000
97⅛	89⅝	Treas 3% 1978-88	97¾	..	3.1	6.122
101⅝	96	Treas 9¼% 1988	100¾	..	9.2	9.029
101⅝	95½	Treas 9¼% 1989	100¾	..	9.2	9.040
104¼	98¾	Treas 10% 1989	103¾	..	9.7	9.067
103⅜	96¼	Exch 10% 1989	101¾	● ..	9.8	9.080
106	100	Exch 10½% 1989	104¾	..	9.8	9.058
105⅜	96¼	Exch 11% 1989	104¾	..	10.5	9.067
95⅛	86⅝	Treas 3% 1989-92	95¾	..	5.2	7.332
102¼	88¼	Treas 9¾% 1989	100¾	..	9.4	9.035
94⅜	86¼	Treas 3% 1990	94¾	..	3.2	6.180
111⅛	103¼	Treas 12¾% 1990	111¾	..	12.0	9.077
106⅛	95	Exch 11% 1990	107¾	..	10.5	9.111
110⅝	99⅛	Exch 12¼% 1990	107¾	..	11.8	9.177
91⅝	84⅛	Treas 3% 1990	91¾	..	3.3	6.366
100	93¼	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	99¾	..	8.4	9.062
105	97¼	Treas 9% 1990	104¾	..	9.8	9.132
89⅛	80⅝	Exch 2½% 1990	89¾	..	2.8	8.036
110⅜	96⅝	Treas C 10% 1991	109¾	..	9.6	9.097
110⅛	102¼	Treas 13¼% 1991	109¾	..	10.9	9.145
95⅝	Fund	4% 1987-91	95¾	..	4.2	7.804
109⅜	100¾	Exch 11% 1991	108¾	..	10.3	9.143
89⅛	79¼	Treas 3% 1991	89¾	..	3.4	6.355
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
118½	107¾	Treas 12¾% 1992	113	● ..	11.3	9.107
106½	92¾	Treas 10% 1992	103¾	..	9.7	9.088
108⅝	98¼	Treas C10½% 1992	105¾	..	10.0	9.098
95⅝	85¼	Treas 3% 1992	95¾	..	3.5	6.586
107¼	95½	Treas 9% 1992	96¾	..		9.306
117	100¼	Exch 12¼% 1992	112¾	● ..	10.9	9.178
121	102¼	Exch 13¼% 1992	116¾	..	11.5	9.267
107¼	96¾	Treas 10% 1993	102¾	..	9.8	9.167
119⅛	106	Treas 12¼% 1993	114¾	..	10.9	9.183
95⅛	81¾	Fund 6% 1993	91¾	..	6.5	7.894
125½	113¼	Treas 13¾% 1993	122¾	..	11.4	9.098
126½	113¼	Treas 14% 1993	122¾	..	11.4	9.240
124¼	113¼	Exch 13¾% 1994	116¾	..	10.8	9.310
124¼	113¼	Exch 13¾% 1994	120¼	..	11.2	9.368
103¼	91¼	Treas 9% 1994	100	..	9.0	9.098
107⅝	99¼	Treas 10% 1994	104¾	..	9.5	9.114
118⅛	106¼	Treas 12% 1995	115¾	..	10.5	9.291
92⅜	73¼	Gas 3% 1990-95	85¾	..	3.6	5.675
109½	97¼	Exch 10½% 1995	106¾	● ..	9.7	9.094
123½	111¼	Treas 12¼% 1995	119¾	..	10.7	9.091
133½	111¼	Treas 14% 1996	129¾	..	10.8	9.425
102⅝	89¼	Treas 9% 1992-96	98¾	..	9.0	9.118
139⅛	125¼	Treas 15¼% 1996	134¾	..	11.3	9.406
127¾	114¼	Exch 12½% 1996	123¾	..	10.8	9.319
89½	80	Rdmpt 3% 1986	95¾	..	3.5	
101⅝	96¼	Conv 10% 1996	104¾	..	9.6	9.253
128¾	115¾	Treas 13¼% 1997	126¾	..	10.7	9.364
117½	95	Exch 10½% 1997	107¾	..	9.8	9.270
101	86¼	Treas 8¼% 1997	97¼	..	9.0	9.111
101	86¼	Treas 8¼% 1997	97¾	..		9.108
140	125¼	Exch 15% 1997	135	..	11.1	9.548
89½	77¾	Conv 6¼% 1995-98	86¾	..	7.9	8.803
106¾	94½	Exch 9¾% 1998	103	● ..	9.5	9.299
145¾	128¼	Treas 15¼% 1998	142¾	..	11.0	9.530
108¾	95¾	Exch 12% 1998	117¾	..	10.2	9.336
106¾	93¾	Treas 9¼% 1999	102¾	..	9.3	9.116
124¾	108¼	Exch 12¼% 1999	119¾	..	10.2	9.259
113	96¾	Treas 9½% 1999	109¾	..	9.7	9.290
111¼	97¼	Conv 10¼% 1999	107	..	9.6	9.098
96¼	84¾	Treas 8½% 2000	95¼	..		9.415
131¾	118½	Treas 13% 2000	128¾	● ..	10.1	9.115
103¼	88¼	Conv 9% 2000	99	..	9.1	9.156
103¼	88¼	Conv 9% 2001	104¼	..	9.3	9.163
108¾	92	Conv 9¾% 2001	104¼	..	9.3	9.163
134½	120¼	Treas 14% 1998-01	128¾	..	10.8	9.320
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
103	97¾	Exch 9% 2002	98¾	..	9.1	9.117
110¾	97¼	Conv 10% 2002	108¾	..	9.4	9.171
122¾	108½	Exch 12% 1998-02	114¾	..	10.2	9.408
105	93¼	Treas 9¼% 2002	104¾	..	9.3	9.168
111¾	94¾	Treas 10% 2003	106¾	..	9.4	9.183
136¾	121¾	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	131¾	..	10.5	9.447
136¾	121¾	Treas 11¼% 2001-04	129¾	..	9.9	9.272
111¾	97¾	Treas 10% 2004	107¼	..	9.3	9.129
59½	51¼	Fund 3½% 1999-04	57¼	..	6.1	6.718
107¾	93¼	Conv 9½% 2004	103¾	..	9.2	9.111
107¾	93¼	Conv 9½% 2004	103¾	..	9.2	9.111
118¾	98¾	Treas 9¾% 2003-05	116¾	..	9.4	9.095
132¾	116¾	Treas 12¼% 2003-05	127¾	..	9.6	9.173
94¼	82¼	Treas 8% 2002-06	90¾	..		9.594
94¼	82¼	Treas 8% 2002-06 A	90¾	..		9.594
110¾	93¾	Conv 9¼% 2006	105¾	..	9.2	9.069
126¼	110¾	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	121	● ..	9.7	9.152
98¼	85¼	Treas 8½% 2007	95¾	..	8.8	8.957
142	121¼	Treas 13½% 2004-08	138¾	..	9.9	9.167
104¼	97¾	Treas 9% 2008	101¾	..	8.8	8.943
104¼	97¾	Treas 9% 2009	101¾	..		8.913
101¾	100¼	Conv 9% 2011	100¾	..		8.917
95¾	58¼	Treas 5½% 2008-12	89¾	..	6.2	8.777
92¾	79¼	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	88	● ..	8.8	8.819
134½	117¾	Exch 12% 2013-17	129¾	..	9.3	9.032
UNDATED						
45¾	38¼	Consols 4%	44¼	● ..	9.0	
40¾	34¼	War Ln 3½%	39¼	..	8.9	
73	46½	Conv 3½%	69¾	..	6.8	
34½	29¼	Treas 3%	33½	..	9.0	
29¾	24¾	Consols 2½%	27¾	..	9.0	
29¾	24¾	Treas 2½%	27¾	..		
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131¾	124½	Treas IL 2% 1988	131¾	● ..

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld

ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL
0345 717373 (Unitone)

Gilt & Fixed	114.9	121.5e	+1.8	9.88
High Inc Equity	148.4	157.8e	+3.7	3.90
Worldwide Bond	186.5	199.3	-1.8	4.89
American Growth	179.7	191.1	+3.1	0.67
Asian Pacific	67.7	72.2	+2.7	0.56
Assets & Growth	167.4	209.8	+7.7	1.07
Capital Reserve	72.1	72.4	-0.5	1.40
Comm & Energy	184.6	196.3	+8.2	0.45
European Capital	95.2	101.2	+0.6	1.25
General	199.1	211.8e	+1.9	2.12
Japan	83.1	88.4	-3.0	..
UK Growth Inc	197.8	210.4	+13.7	0.94
Do Accum	267.5	305.8	+20.0	0.64
US Emerging Co's	57.6	61.2	+0.4	1.76
Income & Growth	320.0	340.4	+8.6	2.07
Managed Acc	90.1	95.8e	+2.4	1.43
American Inc	53.4	56.8	+0.4	4.61

AETNA UNIT TRUSTS LTD
401, St. John Street London EC1V 4QE
01-837 6494

Europe Growth Acc	127.4	136.7	+1.3	0.73
Exempt	479.8	502.0	+17.0	3.44
Far Eastern	208.4	222.8	+0.1	0.10
Fin & Prop	114.5	121.3	+5.5	1.38
High Yield	90.3	95.7	+3.2	3.53
Income & Gth	375.1	397.4e	+13.7	3.15
Intl Earnings	244.0	258.5	+10.8	1.63
Intl Growth Inc	108.4	115.4	+1.9	0.42
Japan Growth Acc	134.8	144.2e	+4.7	0.20
Nth Amer Gth Inc	146.1	156.3e	+2.9	0.64
Preference Inc	125.1	132.5	..	9.64
Small Co's Div Inc	108.5	114.9e	+8.7	3.06
Small Co's Gth	413.1	437.6	+14.7	0.73
Special Sits Inc	215.4	228.2	+9.9	0.60
UK Growth	504.6	534.5e	+14.1	1.83

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL
0793 613366 & 0793 28291

UK Special Sits	348.5	369.5	+9.8	2.17
Growth & Income	190.3	201.7	+4.0	2.41
Capital Trust	324.4	343.8	+7.75	1.83
Balanced	502.2	563.5e	+11.0	2.90
Accum Trust	793.6	841.4	+13.8	2.29
American Income	52.1	54.5c	+0.3	4.32
High Income Tst	365.1	387.0	+5.1	3.32
Equity Income	210.2	222.8e	+5.5	3.37
High Yield	221.7	234.4	+11.0	3.56
Govt Secs Trust	30.1	31.2	+0.3	8.04

BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS
20, Chiswell Street, London EC1
01-374 6801

American	54.5	55.0	+1.0	1.64
Australian	32.3	34.4	+1.7	1.05
Japan & General	145.6	155.3	-0.5	0.03
High Income	72.0	76.7	-2.9	4.13
International Trust	112.7	119.9e	+5.3	0.67
Income Growth Tst	81.8	87.1	+1.6	2.24
Gilts & Fixed Int	22.1	23.5e	-0.4	5.26
Global Markets	45.3	48.2	+0.5	1.76
Special Situations	85.0	90.5	+2.2	1.04

BARCLAYS UNICORN
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7
01-534 5544

Capital	103.1	109.1	+3.1	1.96
European Gth	75.2	79.5	+0.2	1.26
Extra Income	114.6	121.2	+4.3	3.50
General	215.3	227.8	+7.4	2.08
Gilt & Fixed Inc	55.1	58.0	+0.4	9.45
Income Trust	509.8	539.4c	+18.4	2.70
Intl Income	58.4	61.7e	+3.0	3.75
Smlr Cos Inc	50.1	53.0	+0.7	1.42

BARING FUND MANAGERS
PO Box 155, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ
01-658 6000

Australia	109.6	117.2	+6.3	0.00
Eastern	108.0	115.5	+5.4	0.00
Equity Income	85.5	90.9	+2.1	4.30
Europe	142.2	151.2e	+2.9	0.30
Exempt Trust	67.0	71.2	+1.0	3.00
Growth & Inc	91.2	97.0	+1.4	1.90
Global Gth	81.5	86.7	+2.5	1.50
Japan Special	118.4	125.5	-2.0	0.10
Japan Sunrise	127.9	130.2	+2.8	0.00
First Europe	123.2	131.0	+1.2	0.20
First Japan	91.2	97.5	-0.5	0.20
First N Amer	54.6	58.0e	+0.1	1.10
First Smaller Co's	127.9	135.9	+5.8	1.80
N Amer Spec Tst	50.2	53.3	+1.0	0.30

BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT
10, Finsbury St. London EC3
01-833 8000

Amer Smlr Co Inc	68.2	71.9	+1.0	0.02
Do Accum	70.10	74.03	+1.17	0.02
European Inc	106.3	112.1e	-0.5	1.40
Do Accum	131.9	139.0e	-0.7	1.40
Fund of Inv Tr Inc	31.8	33.6	+0.8	1.44
Do Accum	41.0	43.3	+1.0	1.44
General Inc	252.6	266.5e	+10.2	2.06
Do Accum	351.3	370.6	+14.1	2.06
Gilt Yield Inc	172.3	115.7	+1.2	9.43
Global Inc	179.2	189.1	+3.4	3.05
Accum	306.5	323.4	+9.6	3.02
Do Accum	201.8	207.8	+1.9	9.43
High Yield Inc	140.5	148.2e	+5.1	3.58
Do Accum	290.5	306.5	+10.9	3.58
Inv Rec Inc	161.3	170.2	+9.3	0.61
Do Accum	171.5	180.9	+9.9	0.61
Japan Inc	251.1	264.9	-2.2	0.04
Do Accum	253.9	267.9	-2.3	0.04
Japanese Spec Inc	116.1	121.4	-2.5	0.07
Do Accum	115.5	121.9	-2.7	0.07
N American Inc	57.5	60.8e	+0.2	1.04
Do Accum	67.2	70.9	+0.2	1.04
Pacific Inc	167.8	177.0	+1.2	0.19
Do Accum	189.8	200.2	+1.3	0.19
Premier Investment	189.3	199.1	+9.0	1.83
Smaller Co's Inc	151.2	159.5	+8.0	1.05
Do Accum	181.0	191.0	+9.6	1.05
UK Equity Gth Inc	43.6	46.0	+1.8	0.11
Do Accum	72.0	76.0	+2.7	0.11
Worldwide Tech Inc	84.1	67.6	+2.2	0.00
Do Accum	64.6	68.2	+2.0	0.00

BROWN SHIPLEY
9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath
0444 458144

Financial	244.7	260.4	+12.2	1.49
Smaller Co's Acc	472.9	500.4	+34.5	0.55
Do Income	300.0	317.4	+21.9	0.55
High Income	106.8	113.7	+4.7	3.98
Income	127.8	136.0	+5.7	3.10
Man Portfolio Inc	119.7	127.3	+8.1	1.66
Do Acc	202.8	215.7	+10.3	1.66
North American	67.1	71.4e	+0.7	1.21
Orient	99.2	105.5	-1.2	0.25
Exempt	381.9	406.3	+16.7	1.55
Recovery	96.2	101.8	+2.9	0.94
German	32.6	34.7	+1.0	0.44
Technology	182.1	172.5	+4.0	0.29
Europe	23.8	25.5	+0.2	0.74

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT
01-588 2868

Fellowship Inc	77.1	82.0	+2.3	1.51
General Inc (4)	358.4	375.9e	+13.9	1.20
Do Accum (4)	560.7	608.8e	+22.5	1.20
Income Fund (3)	154.5	163.2	+7.3	4.46
Do Accum (3)	285.0	297.8	+13.2	4.46
Intl Inc (2)	164.5	171.8	+2.4	1.08
Do Accum (2)	219.4	229.1	+3.2	1.08
Smaller Inc (5)	125.8	132.6e	+4.7	1.08
Do Accum (5)	135.5	142.7e	+9.1	1.08

CANNON FUND MANAGERS
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB
01-902 8876

Growth	42.1	44.5e	+1.5	2.19
Income	49.5	52.5e	+1.9	3.04
Far East	29.8	30.7e	-0.1	0.20
North American	33.1	35.2e	+0.7	0.59
Global	58.3	61.7	+0.6	0.56
Gilts	56.5	59.7	-0.4	0.91
Japan	67.8	72.0	-1.3	0.50
Intl Cty Bond	47.7	50.5	..	6.00

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
PO Box 551 6 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JD
01-621 0011

Capital	538.7	573.1	+25.7	1.45
Income	425.2	452.5	+14.4	3.52
North American	315.5	335.7	-0.4	1.39

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

Inv Fund	541.15		..	3.57
Fixed Int	149.29		..	9.56
Deposit	100.0		..	8.90

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

Income	506.77	●	..	3.97
Accum	215.6186		..	
Deposit	100.0		..	8.70

CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MNGRS
72/73,Basinghall St, London EC2V 5DP
01-606 6822

S & C Special Sits	85.9	90.9e	+10.1	0.50

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
15, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh
0800 373393

Amer Growth	28.5	28.1	+0.4	0.00
Dragon Growth Fund	31.0	32.9	+1.3	0.00
Equity High Income	71.1	75.3e	+2.9	2.90
European Growth	29.6	31.6	+0.1	0.40
General Equity	85.6	89.5	+2.2	1.70
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	32.4	34.2	+0.4	4.00
Gilt & Fixed Inc	25.0	27.2e	+0.4	8.00
Intl Inc Tst	27.1	28.7	+0.2	4.40
Japan Growth	39.9	42.1e	-0.7	0.00
Pedgree Gth	37.4	41.7	+0.2	1.50
Special Sits Tst	47.2	50.0	+2.7	1.00

COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ
01-283 7500 Dealing 01-588 9818

UK & Gen Inc	72.4	77.0e	+3.3	1.88
Do Accum	72.7	77.3e	+3.4	1.50
Income Inc	71.3	75.9e	+2.1	2.76
Do Accum	71.6	76.2e	+2.1	2.77
Worldwide Inc	60.0	64.2e	+0.8	1.16
Do Accum	60.1	64.3e	+0.8	1.16
Gamma Fund Inc	..	..	..	..
Do Accum	..	..	..	..

COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU
01-726 1999

E uro G rth S trat	78.2	82.6	+0.6	0.90
Extra Income	266.7	282.3e	+4.8	3.43
Financial	258.0	276.0e	+10.4	1.39
Gth East Gnth	101.5	107.5	+3.0	0.73
Gt Br Gos	445.0	470.9e	+11.9	1.56
Income & Growth	65.0	68.7	+2.4	2.80
Japanese Growth	201.9	245.3	-9.5	0.20
Nth Amer Growth	129.8	137.4	+3.1	0.84
Intl Recovery	186.4	197.3e	+8.9	1.64
Smaller Co's	447.1	473.2	+24.5	0.91
Special Sit Tst	70.4	74.6e	+2.7	0.30
Special Sits Acc	491.0	519.6	+18.5	0.99

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW
04862 5033

American Trust	145.1	154.4e	+3.1	0.65
Canadian Gth	..	..	..	..
European Trust	132.9	141.4	+1.0	..
Growth Trust	343.2	365.1	+9.8	1.97
High Income Trust	383.1	407.6	+12.4	3.86
Intl Tech Trust	142.4	151.5	+4.0	..
Japanese Trust	190.8	203.0	+0.2	..

CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL
0732 42424

European Growth	64.6	68.6	..	1.20
Euro Special Sits	47.6	50.7	+0.2	..
International	47.7	50.8	+0.4	..
N American Growth	47.5	50.6	+0.2	..
Pacific Growth	65.1	69.3	-0.4	..
UK Growth Accum	88.3	94.0	+0.6	2.00
Do Dist	87.9	93.6	+0.7	2.00
UK Income	73.2	77.9	+1.6	4.00

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh
031-226 3492

American Fund	76.4	81.3	+0.9	1.23
Capital Fund	173.6	184.9	+9.4	0.92
Eurofund	28.0	29.8e	-0.4	1.69
Growth & Inc Fund	218.9	230.7	+7.3	2.71
High Dist Fund	184.8	196.9	+8.7	3.43
International Fund	247.9	264.0e	+6.1	0.85
Pacific Fund	31.8	33.6	+1.6	0.74
Resources Fund	38.2	39.5	+2.7	0.00
Smlr Cap Co's Fnd	35.1	37.4	+0.1	0.00
Tokyo Fund	184.0	195.9	-2.6	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	152.9	157.0	+1.8	1.75
(Ex) Japan (3)	114.1	117.2	-5.7	0.16
(Ex) Pacific (4)	95.3	98.6	..	0.23
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	215.0	220.9	..	0.10

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ
0242 221311

UK Balanced Inc	108.2	114.8e	+2.3	1.83
Do Accum	111.6	118.6e	+2.4	1.78
UK Growth Accum	155.4	164.9	+5.8	1.33
UK High Inc Inc	117.7	124.9	+4.4	2.98
N American Acc	81.9	87.4e	+0.5	1.05
Far Eastern Accum	129.4	138.0e	-0.2	0.52
European Accum	90.1	96.1	+0.6	1.23
UK Gilt & Fi Inc	56.6	60.0e	+0.6	8.03
Do Accum	57.2	65.8e	+0.7	7.92
Intl Spec Sit Acc	53.5	57.1	+1.4	1.77

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT
Admin Centre
8 Hexagon House
Romford RM1 3LB
0708 66966

Endurance	145.0	154.3	+3.3	0.86

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION
Walton Street Aylesbury, HP21 7QW
0296 431480

Equitable Pelican	119.5	127.2	+3.8	2.36
High Income Trust	114.7	122.1	+3.1	3.65
Gilt & Fixed Int	53.7	57.2e	+0.8	7.29
Tst Of Inv Trusts	104.2	110.9	+3.7	3.45
Special Sits Trust	126.2	134.3	+5.2	1.64
Nth Amer Trust	67.5	71.9	+1.3	1.22
Far Eastern Trust	110.9	118.0e	+1.7	0.34
Fin & Gen Trust	111.7	117.6	+0.1	..
European Trust	49.0	52.2	+0.6	0.96

EQUITY & LAW
St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1GD
0203 553231

UK Growth Accum	220.5	234.5	+4.7	2.22
Do Income	186.8	198.5	+3.9	2.22
Higher Inc Inc	389.6	411.2	+9.8	3.03
Do Income	300.8	320.0	+7.6	3.03
Gilts/Fixed Accum	169.2	174.9	+1.3	7.95
Do Income	87.9	92.5	+1.0	7.95
Nth Amer Tst Accum	151.1	160.7	+2.3	1.01
Far East Tst Accum	180.5	205.6	-1.8	0.00
Euro Tst Accum	168.5	180.3	+1.7	0.47
General Trust	336.3	357.7	+6.3	2.36

F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA
01-623 4680

US Smaller Co's	77.1	82.1	+0.1	0.14
UK Income Fund	112.1	119.3	+3.5	3.48
Far Eastern Fund	72.2	76.8	+0.7	0.00
Overseas Income	76.0	80.6	+0.4	3.37
Fixed Interest	58.0	61.8	+0.6	9.93
Natural Res Fund	84.0	89.4e	+3.4	1.91
European Income	80.5	85.7	-0.6	2.97
Firstcable Fund	92.8	98.9	+2.0	2.24
Intl Tech Fund	134.8	143.5	+3.9	0.13

FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS
100, West George St. Glasgow G2 2PA
041-332 3132

Amer Gth Inc	25.6	27.2	+0.7	..
Do Acc	26.6	27.2	+0.7	..
Balanced Gth Inc	88.8	94.5	+4.1	0.60
Do Accum	90.9	96.7	+4.2	..
Income Gth Inc	66.9	71.2	+3.9	4.00
Do Accum	73.4	78.1	+3.9	..
Service Co's Inc	99.8	106.2	+5.0	0.30
Do Accum	101.7	108.2	+6.0	..

FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY
Callbree 0800 414161

American	124.7	133.4	+2.6	0.68
Amer Equity Income	35.9	37.3	+0.2	3.54
Amer Special Sits	59.3	63.1	+1.6	0.02
Australia	48.4	49.2	+1.1	1.38
European	57.5	61.2	-0.2	..
European Inc	25.1	26.8	+0.3	3.06
Global Conv	27.3	28.9	+0.8	4.43
Far East Inc	39.5	41.8	+0.1	3.29
Gilt & Fixed Int	30.8	●	+0.1	9.43
Growth & Income	147.1	155.5	+4.5	3.36
Japan Special Sits	59.3	60.1	+0.5	..
Japan	148.3	156.2e	-0.2	..
Managed Int	190.6	170.9	+2.9	0.43
Max Income Equity	129.7	138.0	+4.3	3.43
Famous Names	53.8	57.2	+0.1	1.56
South East Asia	57.1	60.2	+2.1	0.01
Special Sits	303.3	322.7	+9.24	0.59

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ
01-628 5181

Amer & Gen Inc	223.7	236.7	+1.9	..
Do Accum	228.5	241.7	+1.9	..
Amer Turnaround Inc	232.0	245.5e	+5.7	1.07
Do Accum	249.7	264.7	+6.0	1.07
Capital Tst Inc	354.0	374.5	+17.5	1.45
Do Accum	432.9	458.0	+17.5	1.45
Comm & Gth Inc	117.4	124.2e	+2.9	4.00
Do Accum	162.1	171.5e	+4.1	4.00
European Inc	69.2	73.2	+0.1	0.82
Exempt Inc Tst Inc	362.1	383.0	+9.0	0.82
Financial Accum	274.1	290.0e	+5.1	3.37
Do Inc	265.2	322.9e	+9.8	3.37
Income Trust	55.6	58.8	+0.5	1.08
Do Accum	56.3	59.5	+0.5	1.07
Int Growth Fd Inc	192.2	204.4	+5.2	2.84
Do Accum	209.1	221.2	+5.7	2.84
Japan & Gen Inc	183.8	194.4	+2.2	..
Do Accum	204.1	216.9	+2.4	..
Japan & Gen Inc	111.9	118.3	+1.5	..
Do Accum	112.9	119.4	+1.5	..
Monthly Inc Fd	147.1	155.6e	+5.1	2.82
PEP 87	71.9	75.0	+2.5	0.85
Recovery	209.0	221.3e	+7.5	0.85
Recovery	251.4	266.0e	+8.9	0.82

FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey
0306 885055

FP Equity Dist	286.3	314.5	+6.3	1.95
Do Accum	504.3	535.3	+10.7	1.95
FP Fixed Int Dist	118.6	125.3	+0.4	9.42
Do Accum	144.6	153.0	+0.9	8.34
Stewardship Dist	287.5	305.2	+9.1	0.94
Do Accum	300.4	318.8	+9.5	0.94
FP North American	138.0	146.2	+4.1	0.75
FP Pacific Basin	198.1	209.9e	-2.2	0.24

GT UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ
01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431

Amer Special Sits	72.1	77.8	+1.7	0.50
UK Cap Fnd Inc	230.6	170.0	+0.7	1.80
Do Accum	232.6	247.7	+9.7	1.80
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Big Blue profits fall 10 per cent

Falling short of Wall Street's *optimistic projections*, IBM's profits in the second quarter, according to the company, had dropped by 9.9 percent to $1.18 billion. Revenue rose by 4.5 per cent to $12.8 billion.

Though the results *stretched the company's* embarrassing string of profit declines into the fifth straight quarter, analysts said they still expected the "Big Blue", as the company is known, to increase its earnings strongly in the second half of the year.

In recent weeks, several stockbrokers raised their earnings estimates as IBM's stock price rose, noting the strong sales of IBM's new line of personal computers and early shipments of several new mid-range models.

In reaction to the results, IBM's stock fell $2.375 a share, giving up much of its gains of the previous day when its shares had climbed to an all-time high, partly because of the favourable results an-

IBM

By Calvin Sims

nounced at Apple Computer and NCR.

IBM's product sales grew by 5 per cent during the quarter, attributed largely to strong early demand for the new Personal System-2 line of personal computers.

Jay Stevens of Dean Witter Reynolds, said: "IBM's new products are starting to yield it some favourable numbers. We performed a survey of Fortune 500 companies and found that about 70 per cent responded favorably to the new PC."

IBM is also considered to be starting to harvest the benefits of its internal reorganization, in which more than 13,000 employees accepted early retirement incentives, and other cost-reduction programs. IBM says it is to continue to share expenses.

In the past, IBM's troubles were concentrated in its mid-range systems, in particular System 36 and System 38, which experienced declining sales in the face of the Digital Equipment growing presence in that market.

IBM has started sending out its new 9370 machines, but the market has reacted coolly and despite rising revenues, IBM continues to show some signs of weakness. For example, its profit margins remain under pressure. IBM said that its after-tax margin was 8.4 percent so far in 1987, compared with 10.4 percent in 1986.

In a move regarded as risky, IBM is soon expected to introduce a scaled-down version of its personal computer for the education, home and small-business market. If it wants to pick up the Christmas market this year, the computer will have to be launched by the beginning of September.

Alvey programme put on hold

THE WEEK

By Michael Dynes



Brian Oakley: programme director

During his lightning tour of the third annual Alvey Conference at Manchester University's Institute of Science and Technology last week, the Trade and Industry Minister, Kenneth Clarke, saw some of the most advanced British-made information-technology products ever assembled under one roof.

Launched to a great fanfare in April 1983, the Alvey Programme, named after John Alvey, who chaired the 1982 inquiry into Britain's computer industry, was designed to oversee a five-year collaborative effort between industrialists and academics in pre-competitive research into IT.

But as the programme approaches the end of its life, the question over what to do next has moved to the top of the agenda.

Last year's Bide Committee report warned that "information technology is a discipline which is developing so fast that a *laisser-faire* approach will not suffice". It called for the allocation of £550 million of government money to launch a new programme designed to translate Alvey research into commercially exploitable spin-offs.

The Government's announcement last week that it intends to postpone the question of funding for Alvey II until October on the grounds that it has not had sufficient time to establish its research priorities so soon after the election, came as no great surprise.

And though Brian Oakley, director of the programme and Alvey researchers were pleased that Mr Clarke had taken the time and trouble to examine their work at first hand, there is a growing fear that the delay will result in the break-up of world-class research teams built up over the last four years.

The creation of the Alvey programme was the direct result of increasing disquiet over Britain's deteriorating balance of trade in IT products, and an announcement by Japan of its intention to begin work on the next generation of computers – the so-called fifth generation "intelligent" machines.

The impact of that announcement on western countries was similar in many ways to the impact Sputnik had on the United States a generation before. Here was Japan, long dismissed as an imitator, a mere perfector of exisiting technologies, laying the groundwork for a new basic technology.

Fifth-generation computers, however, are the kind of thing you would expect to find on the bridge of the Starship Enterprise. Advances in semiconductor technology and artificial intelligence held out the promise of building a computer capable of using an automated human commonsense to solve problems by inductive and deductive reasoning.

Such machines would be capable of taking the initiative, making informed evaluations, reconciling contradictory information, operating in natural languages and interpreting the information stored in their data banks.

The uses of such a computer could be breathtaking. All areas of human endeavour dependent on highly qualified individuals, doctors, lawyers and company managers, for example, could be imitated by intelligent fifth-generation computers, operated verbally by the untrained, everday user.

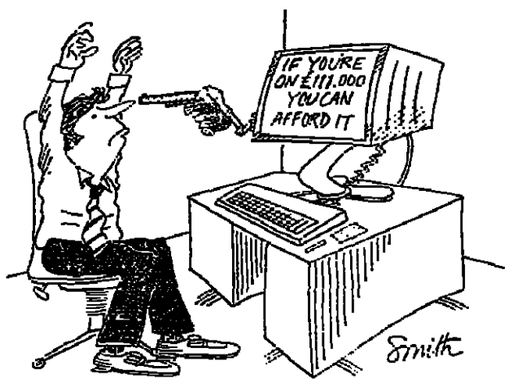
A breakthrough in the fifth-generation development race could render the current generation of computers as backward as the abacus, and propel whoever makes it into the forefront of IT well into the next millennium.

The spectre of a "computer gap" between Japan and its commercial adversaries galvanized others into launching fifth-generation research programmes of their own, such as the American Defence Advanced Research Project, the EEC's European Strategic Research Programme, and Britain's Alvey Programme.

Few researchers involved in these projects have any illusions about the formidable difficulties facing them, not to mention the possibility that their objective may ultimately prove to be unobtainable. But the fear of someone making a breakthrough has proved more than sufficient to spur them on.

In Britain the approach has been more modest, and more realistic. The 200 projects on display at the Alvey exhibition last week were part of an effort to display the fruits of Alvey research.

Admittedly, the number of commercially exploitable products that have come out of Alvey remains small. But there is little doubt about its tremendous success in fostering cooperation and collaboration between industry and academia, thereby providing a stronger research base from which the computer industry can move into the 1990s.



City 'reward' that equals £111,000

SALARIES

By Matthew May

Salaries for the top few computer managers in the City are starting to resemble London house prices.

Six-figure salaries have begun to appear: a survey released last week by Peat Marwick McLintock cited a data-processing manager in the City on a salary of just over £111,000.

Highest salary for a systems development manager is put at £75,000, although as the table below shows, these are well above average. The survey covered 63 computer installations in the City and compared it with a national sample taken by Computer Economics of 600 installations.

It found City salaries for computer managers were 18 to 36 per cent higher than elsewhere, with City managers typically a year or two younger than the national sample.

The gap seems fairly constant. City managers have seen an 11.9 per cent increase over the last year compared to 10.7 per cent for computer managers nationally.

Only in the area of technical support – where problems with computer systems immediately after Big Bang led the support function to be considered far more crucial – shows a large increase, up 18 per cent in the City compared to a national average of 12.4 per cent.

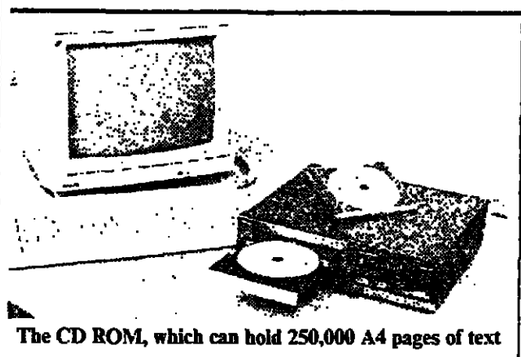
Elsewhere in the computer market another survey from Hay Management Consultants, covering 67 organizations, puts the current premium for DP jobs over other disciplines at 10 per cent. Demand for particular specialists, especially systems software and some operations-support jobs, tends to have a higher premium.

The average increase is put at 9.4 per cent, covering a spread of 4 per cent to 16 per cent with the shortage of suitable staff causing an increase in the number of firms with a separate salary administration scheme for computing staff – two-thirds of those surveyed.

Perks have apparently improved greatly in terms of shift allowances, holidays and giving company cars to lower levels of staff particularly, says the report, in the computer operations field.

Hay's view of salaries in financial organizations is that they tend to pay on average a 15 per cent premium, rising to 20 per cent for computer managers. But in central London generally, the highest differentials are for junior operators and data control jobs, with salaries 25 per cent higher than the national average, dropping to 15 per cent for senior positions.

	National Average salary	Av. age	City Average salary	Av age	% salary difference
Managers of Data processing	31,384	43	39,906	42	27
Systems devel.	26,437	40	34,592	39	31
Computer services	25,739	41	35, 012	39	36
Systems	22,838	40	27,952	40	22
Programming	21,378	38	25,237	37	18
Systems & programming	23,466	39	30,057	40	28
Operations	20,323	39	25,474	40	25
Technical support	22,319	39	28,799	37	29
Communications	22,044	40	28,895	39	31
Information centres	20,771	38	25,757	37	24



The CD ROM, which can hold 250,000 A4 pages of text

Philips claims a new breakthrough

The dominance of magnetic materials in the computer storage business looked under siege last week as news arrived of a further breakthrough in the promising field of optical storage.

Methods of information storage that use lasers and

OPTICAL DISC

By Geof Wheelwright

optical discs have already made in-roads into the traditional magnetic storage media business with the WORM – Write Once Read Many – products recently announced by computer firms such as IBM and Apricot.

But the restriction of optical discs not being erasable could have been removed by a development by Philips which could set the computer industry thinking even harder about the future or magnetic tapes and floppy discs as a reliable method of storing information.

The Philips research labs at Eindhoven in the Netherlands have discovered what they describe as "a highly promising new group of materials for erasable optical recording of either analog or digital signals."

As and when this new material yields a workable erasable optical disc, the huge capacities, greater reliability and durability of laser-based storage products could eventually make today's floppy-disc and hard-disc technologies obsolete.

Meanwhile the creative partnership between compact disc (CD) and microcomputer technology looks set to become even more fruitful as the CD industry makes great strides in its application.

The latest example of this was announced last month by Philips ,which clearly envisions CD moving forward to dominate the video and microcomputer archive businesses.

While work is still proceeding in conjunction with Microsoft, several leading Japanese electronics concerns and international software and hardware producers to get CD-ROM (compact disc – read only memory) off the ground, the plans for domination of the video industry are no longer a secret.

They start with the release of a new machine that will play films and hi-fi music videos on a new format of video disc.

The implications this development presents for the CD-ROM technology are interesting. CD-ROM (whereby large amounts of computer information can be stored digitally on a 5in. CD disc) is planned as a low-cost method of distributing large volumes of information in computer format.

One of the chief attractions of the CD-ROM idea for software houses such as Microsoft is that the popularity of ordinary music CD players has brought the component cost of CD hardware down very low.

This means that CD-ROM software publishers should have the confidence that the technology that allows use of their information is cheap enough to become a mass-market product.

Use the copyright law, say software makers

In an effort to reduce software piracy, computing associations from 14 countries have signed an agreement that proposes the use of international copyright laws as the basis for protecting computer software, *writes Eddie Coulter.*

Those signing the document included the Japanese, who until now have not accepted *copyright law as a means of* protection for software.

PIRACY

Other countries involved in the agreement, which was *released last week, included* most of Europe as well as the US, Australia and Taiwan. Industry groups from a further 10 countries, including Singapore, are expected to sign soon.

***It is intended that the* agreement will be used to try to ensure that the governments of each country update and implement their copyright legislation to include the protection of software.**

***However the* World Computing Services Industry Forum, responsible for organizing the agreement, is against any compulsory registration scheme for software in a similar way to obtaining patent rights.**



Doug Eyeions: Dispelling the misconceptions

Roger Graham, president of the European Computing Services Association, said: "Software houses still don' want to *have their software-design* techniques looked at in detail."

It is hoped that the weight of a world agreement should be sufficient for governments and international organizations to *take notice of the need for* software protection. The UK's computing Services Association (CSA) has presented the agreement to the Department of Trade and Industry, which will raise the issue with the OECD in Paris.

Software piracy – mostly that developed for microcomputers – has been claimed to loose some firms up to 50 per cent of possible revenue. In Britain that means several hundred million pounds a year.

However, according to Doug Eyeions, director general of the CSA, it is not just brazen commercial copying of software for pirate profit that is the problem. He said: "It is a common misconception that hardware is what you buy and *software is what you borrow.*

"It starts in schools, continues in university and goes on into business. At the extreme, it is the basis on which some new software companies get started. This becomes particularly serious when some software these days can cost as much as $50 million to develop."

In the future there may well be a requirement not only for companies purchasing *software to sign an agreement not* to copy programs, but for individual employees within companies to sign mandatory agreements respecting software copyright.

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Big jump in Apple profits

Profits at Apple Computer, the American personal computer manufacturer, have jumped 65 per cent to £33.4 million for its third quarter, compared to the same period last year. Turnover grew by 42 per cent to nearly £400 million compared to last year's third quarter of £280 million.

"Acceptance for our new Macintosh is high", said chairman John Sculley. "Products introduced by Apple within the past year represented nearly 50 per cent of our revenues this quarter". Apple also said last week that it would suffer both financially and competitively if proposed legislation banning imports of Toshiba products, and those of its subsidiaries, were adopted by the US Congress. Desktop printers are made for it by Tokyo Electric, a subsidiary of Toshiba, and a spokesman described the cost of finding a new supplier as "devastating".

BRIEFING

Channel 4 series

■ *So We Bought a Computer* is a new weekly series starting at 6.30pm next Monday on Channel 4. In the series, a variety of people talk about why they bought a computer, what advice they took — if any — and their overall experience of this plunge into high technology.

Channel 4 promises the programmes will avoid jargon such as baud-rate, RS.232s and interface while words such as database and spreadsheet will only be used in a context that makes them self-explanatory. The series intends to cover word processors, micros, computer-aided design, information exchange between computers and, finally, how computers are changing shopping habits. The first programme looks at the computer as a word processor with Brian Pearce, a consultant on ergonomics, health and safety.

Clearer view

■ Decision makers in industry would have a clearer idea of where Britain is heading if they had a better view of how technology can be used to generate future national prosperity. This view comes from the Engineering



"OK, give me an 'F"

Employers Federation which has produced a paper calling on the Department of Trade and Industry to set up what it describes as a Government and industry forum along with a support team to evaluate existing and prospective technologies and recommend what needs to be done to exploit them.

The reports from this group "would provide a common point of reference and understanding for those, whether in Government, finance or industry, who make investment and expenditure decisions. In the meantime there must be immediate action to maintain the UK's presence in key technolgies where, says the Federation, if competence is lost it will not be regained.

Bid as equals

■ *Foreign computer makers* should be able to bid as equals with their Japanese counterparts to sell and rent supercomputers to Japanese government agencies under a new system announced last week.

Under the new rules, which will take effect on August 1, all Japanese Government ministries and their affiliated organizations are required to announce any intended purchase of supercomputers in the official government gazette and request all necessary information and data, 60 days before receiving bids to provide the equipment. Governmental purchasers will also be required to announce the results of the bidding and explain to unsuccessul bidders the reasons for their failure.

China line

■ As more of the latest-generation telephone systems are introduced into China, Plessey is to provide locally-based service and support. The company is creating a special technical support centre at Factory 520 in Shanghai. The UK company has installed an ISDX-integrated services digital exchange there to enable Chinese technicians to provide technical support for their colleagues from other provinces.

Pioneers needed to open up communications links

Whichever way it is looked at, be it from the point of view of computer manufacturers, information technology consultants, communications network providers or users, we are fast approaching a situation where information technology progress could hit a brick wall.

The reason is the lack of knowledgeable people with a wide understanding of all the issues involved in data and telecommunications. And it is not simply a case of a shortage of data communications staff as we know and understand them to be now. It goes deeper.

> "A career market that is wide open for progression"

JOBSCENE

By Eddie Coulter

Existing staff, recruiters say, frequently have insufficient understanding of the broader issues of communications technology already available and that which is being further developed.

Hence they are often employed in low-level management roles, when in reality communications decision-making now needs to be of a higher order. Efforts to provide a core of new communications people, ready to cope with expected managerial demands, are being themselves thwarted by scarcity of well-rounded, experienced teachers in the subject.

It is a job market that is wide open for career progression and, probably, future escalating salaries. What is needed are, if you will excuse the phrase, "corporate communications strategists." And it could be a chance for some of the more enthusiastic people in information technology to pioneer their own future.

"It is only recently that computer users have begun to recognize the importance of the communications element in the wider issues of corporate systems", says John Tippler, director of networks for British Telecom.

"Until now", he says, "other matters related to data processing have impinged on senior management, while communications people have been employed at a less significant level."

"Communications technology is now a fast-moving area", says Steve Ambler, communications consultancy manager at Scicon, the BP computing services subsidiary. "But finding the people with the right qualifications is hard. They need to understand not only all the new technology, but its usage and potential application.

"Even those with some existing communications skills need a wider view in order to plan network infrastructures. Typically one of the commonest mistakes currently being made is the building of networks to support individual applications, when all around is an open choice of wide-ranging technology to suit the entire organization's needs.

"In many companies communications is relegated to a low management level with less importance given to it than, say, the decision taken to buy a mini-computer. Different departments make different decisions on networks, and the communications decision is seen as simply a wiring problem," he says.

According to Mr Ambler, there is a tendency for people to think that they know communications if they are already working in it. Someone coming from, say, a communications manufacturer will, however, only know the technology associated with that company.

Someone who understands PBX, telephony and wiring may not know enough about data communications while someone who knows modums and data communications may not know anything about voice communications. But there is a lack of places to get all-round experience and not enough people to go round to do the teaching

As far as salaries go, the exact role and earnings of this new breed of corporate communications strategists, is yet to be finalized. In many ways salaries will depend on the size of the company, the degree of responsibility and the perception that the company has in its ability to benefit from the latest of converging communications technologies.

With network controllers currently earning up to £17,000 pa, communications software specialists earning £20,000 pa, technical telecommunications R&D specialists on £25,000 and consultants with a reasonably widespread knowledge of data communications, earning up to £30,000, what price the corporate communications strategist? Only time will tell.



Steve Ambler: "Finding the right people is hard"

Blow to Telecom over its security

British Telecom received a blow to the security of its computer systems last week when the Court of Appeal overturned fines against two computer hackers who broke into its Prestel viewdata system.

Robert Schifreen and Steve Gold had previously been fined £600 and £750 respectively in April 1986 for forgery. But last week the Court of Appeal ruled that the language of the 1981 Forgery and Counterfeiting Act was not intended to apply to situations such as this case.

The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lane, said: "Their conduct amounted to dishonestly gaining acess to the relevant Prestel data-bank by a trick. That is not a criminal offence. If it is thought desirable to make it so that is a matter of the legislature rather than the courts."

What is particularly embarrassing for British Telecom is that Mr Schifreen originally gained his unoffical access to the Prestel system not through

HACKERS

By Matthew May

any technical wizadry but because BT employees had left the highest level of system passwords written on the front page of a test system.

Anyone who dialled the correct phone number — easily available to computer buffs — could look up the passwords of anyone else on the system and change information on Prestel pages. At the time BT's gaff was likened to leaving the key to a bank on a string through the letterbox.

Mr Schifreen limited his access to Prestel to mild mischief — looking through the Duke of Edinburgh's electronic mailbox, for example. Most of the mail apparently contained queries as to whether it was for Prince Philip or a pub of the same name.

But computer firms are worried that while there may be no fraudlent intent from hackers, mischief can be as expensive as fraud.

The corruption of files, for example, can cost thousands of pounds to restore and the situation is now unclear as to who would have been liable had Mr Schifreen been able to change Prestel pages giving stock market information, causing investors to buy and sell shares on false information.

While the judgment is likley to increase calls for new laws specifically geared to electronic systems, the main problem with computer crime, rather than hacking, is that many firms are reluctant to use existing legislation and prosecute, not wishing to publicize that their security systems have been breached.

A passive ram which comes out fighting

MEMORY

From Andrew Pollack in San Fransisco

The dynamic random access memory, or dynamic RAM, has long been the centre of attention in the semiconductor industry. It is the industry's largest-selling chip, the one in which the Japanese have made their strongest inroads, and the one that is perennially the focus of semiconductor trade tensions.

By contrast, the dynamic RAM's cousin, the static RAM, has been easy to overlook. Static RAM's are more expensive, more complicated and have less capacity. Nevertheless, they are beginning to crowd into the dynamic RAM's spotlight.

One reason is that as American manufacturers have abandoned production of dynamic RAM's, they have in some cases turned to production of static RAM's as a technology driver — a chip on which to hone their latest production techniques.

But a more important reason is that static RAM's operate more quickly than dynamic RAM's. As computers become faster and faster, dynamic memory chips are beginning to have trouble keeping up with the rest of the computer.

Computer designers have employed static RAM's as a method of storing a portion of information, used most frequently in memory "caches."

Static RAM's are finding another new niche in personal computers, which use them to meet the memory-draining demand for refreshing images on video display screens. As computer displays offer greater resolution and more colours, the need for such video memory will climb.

Static RAM memory caches appeared first in mainframes and minicomputers. They will spread to personal computers in the next year or two with the advent of powerful microprocessors such as the Intel 80386 and the Motorola 68020.

"We're right on the verge where dynamic memories can't come up to the speed that we need," said Gary Stimac, vice president of systems engineering for Compaq.

Memory chips store the data and the instructions that are executed by the computer's central processing unit. The processor might fetch out of memory the instruction to add two numbers; then it must get the two numbers from the memory; then it stores the result of the addition back in memory.

If the memory cannot release or store the desired information fast enough, the central processor is left waiting.

The latest microprocessors from Intel and Motorola operate at speeds of about 20 megahertz, or 20 million cycles per second. This means

Dynamic memories can't cope

that 20 million times a second — or once every 50-billionths of a second — the processor is ready to move to its next step.

But the fastest dynamic RAM's take about 100-billionths of a second — twice as long — to divulge a piece of information. Typically, a computer's memory is not called on to spit out information at every cycle, but one can still see that a potential bottleneck is developing.

Both static and dynamic RAM's can retrieve any piece of information readily, without having to retrieve another piece first. Thus, they provide random access to information.

The dynamic RAM uses a device known as a capacitor, which stores an electric charge, and a transistor, which helps read what is on the capacitor. The problem is that the charge tends to leak off the capacitor. Hence, several hundred times a second, a sweep must be made to reinforce the charges. That is why the memory is called "dynamic." Static RAM's do not need such refreshing. That, plus their smaller size and several features unique to their design, give static RAM's their speed advantage.

Today's static RAM's are two to 10 times faster than the fastest dynamic RAM's. The trade-off is that the bins of a static RAM are more complex.

But complexity breeds expense. A very high-speed static RAM capable of storing only 16,000 bits might sell for £7.50 while a dynamic RAM that holds 256,000 bits, 16 times the storage capacity, sells for about £1.50.

The simplest solution to the problem of slow memories would be to replace dynamic RAM's with static RAM's.

One personal computer maker is already taking that approach. Most computer manufacturers, however, believe that a complete switch from dynamic RAM's to static RAM's is too expensive. They are planning to use static RAM's in cache memories.

A static RAM cache memory sits next to the processor and handles the data most likely to be needed. Cache memories might hold only 8,000 to 32,000 bytes of data, compared with several million bytes in the main memory.

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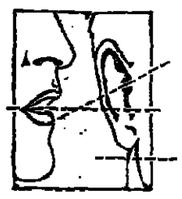
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HORIZONS

A guide to career opportunities

Clear draughtsmanship and writing can lead to a career preparing plans and scale models for RAF fighters, says **Joan Llewelyn Owen**



Top draughtsmen are needed to produce the clean lines of aircraft like the Tornado

Drawing a line in fighters

When a new aircraft, such as the Tornado, is built, the technical publications involved take up 40 feet of shelf space. Documentation for a power station can be worth £6 million and the work can involve as many as 50 authors, including CEGB staff and manufacturers.

Obviously, the sort of instructional manual needed to support a domestic washing machine is different, but at both extremes specialist writers and illustrators are needed.

Their task is the communication of technical information so that it is unambiguous, and targeted at the right reader, whether he be a highly qualified engineer or a housewife with little scientific background.

To do this, both writer and illustrator must understand enough about the subject to be able to read blueprints and ask experts the right questions. In many cases the writer or author is an engineer, a chemist or a computer scientist, depending on the type of publication; for this reason, technical authorship is a career in which it is no disadvantage to start at the age of 40.

Some employers will train new entrants with suitable experience and writing skills. Other would-be authors may prefer to take a part or full-time course leading to City and Guilds examinations in technical authorship and technical communications techniques, and then look for a job.

Technical illustrators follow a different path. In the past they often began as engineering apprentices who moved into the drawing office, but today they are more likely to be the products of an art college, with a BTEC HND or OND in technical illustration, or a degree in scientific and technical graphics. If they have a technical leaning or background, they are worth gold.

Technical authors and illustrators work for technical publications departments of manufacturers and government departments, or for firms of contractors who produce the documentation as a service to manufacturers. Most large manufacturing companies, and many small ones, keep a core of staff, but also pass on work to contractors.

One of the leading technical publications contractors in Europe is Inter-Europe Technical Services, Ltd. They have nine offices and employ 500 staff, who write and produce technical handbooks and engineering documents to all present military and commercial standards.

They documented the Thames Barrier and are now working on a number of power stations, the Fokker F50/F100 aircraft programme, and space communications projects.

All their authors are engineers of one kind or another and their joint expertise is such that they can cover a wide range of technologies, including satellite communications, radar, guided weapons, avionics, computer-controlled systems, instrumentation, telemetry, and mechanical/electrical plant. One of their offices specializes in software documentation.

I was shown round the Fareham branch by Don Moore, publications manager and head of training. In that office, he explained, there were three sections, one headed by an expert in electronics, another by an expert in electromechanical matters, and the support services by an illustrator. Under each came a project leader, senior authors, authors and possibly trainees.

The Thames Barrier and Fokker aircraft among their projects

Intereurope organizes training courses, not only for its own staff but also for manufacturers and the Ministry of Defence, and on behalf of the Manpower Services Commission, to retrain people from industry.

At one time, there was an influx of people from the coal and steel industries in Wales. Two of the most senior in the building had started on one of these courses.

Authors, it was emphasized, had to be versatile. As they became more familiar with communications skills, they were able to take on jobs they would originally have thought beyond their scope. They were likely to be engaged on four or five jobs at any one time, because once the first draft was completed, it went to the customer for some form of vetting. Simple vetting might be all that was necessary in the case of a booklet on how to put up a garage.

The next stage was verification (checking that statements made were true), and finally came validation (when the equipment was operated in accordance with the written instructions). From writing to publication could last a year.

It is normally the authors who decide what illustration shall be included. The illustrators at Fareham were undertaking a variety of work, from complicated illustrations for a nuclear plant to an illustration of a fireman using safety harness. *In another room, a computer* connected to a laser printer was producing diagrams for electronic circuits, thus cutting out much of the drudgery.

To find out more about the work of technical illustrators I went to the Ministry of Defence in Earl's Court and talked to David Bradley, deputy head of graphics, who told me that when interviewing applicants for posts as graphics officers, he looked for flexibility.

Graphics officers, he explained, were employed in about 130 units within the ministry and the three services. About 40 per cent of their output was technical illustration and the rest general graphics. Those who specialized in technical illustrations were called upon to prepare exploded, cutaway and exterior line perspectives drawn from engineering drawings, photographs or from sketches of actual equipment.

In fact, illustrators work on any medium selected for the communications task. For the ministry they provide a great deal of material for training purposes, including wall charts, slides, manuals on vehicles and guns, posters showing procedures to be followed should an aircraft crash, and cartoons.

Sometimes models may be constructed, such as a full-size cardboard cut-out of a cockpit, showing all the instruments. In this way, a trainee pilot can memorize the position of the controls before he enters the actual aircraft.

● Free leaflets are available from The Institute of Scientific and Technical Communicators, 52 Odencroft Road, Britwell, Slough, Berks. SL2 2BP. Scientific and Technical Communication costs £5.75, including postage, from Intereurope Technical Services Ltd, High Walls, East Street, Fareham, Hants. PO16 0BZ.

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The Authority is now seeking a Chief Officer, who will provide both a public face and professional leadership for health promotion in Wales. He or she will advise the Authority on policy matters and will be responsible for the control of administration, including financial matters and the execution of the Authority's programmes.

The successful candidate will need to have professional expertise in health promotion, but this does not imply the requirement exclusively for a background in health education. He or she will need to establish a credibility in working within agreed policy directives and guidelines determined by the Authority and will be required to have an understanding of health issues. Experience in running a multi-disciplinary organisation and proven ability in budgetary management will be looked for. (The Authority has a budget of £1.2m for 1987-88.)

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3. Direction of investigations to improve the performance of plants in the Garden - especially the more difficult research collections of the scientific staff.
4. Advise on the content and organisation of the RBG course in Amenity Horticulture.

Candidates for the post will require first rate horticultural qualifications and considerable experience over the general range of horticulture and especially over the specialist plant collections of a botanic garden. A degree in horticulture or the national diploma in horticulture or equivalent are desirable but not absolutely necessary.

The Curator may be required to occupy official accommodation.

The salary scale presently in force is £15,354 - £18,816 per annum.

For application forms please apply to: Personnel Department, Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh EH3 5LR or telephone 031 552 7171 ext 254/255.

Closing date for applications is 25 September 1987.

Retirement Opportunity

City

A lively and growing charity with an acknowledged reputation wishes to appoint a person to obtain support from the City.

If you are taking early retirement or are already retired, this is an opportunity to make use of your experience and senior contacts in the City.

Remuneration is for discussion in five figures.

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Charity Appointments

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c. £9,500

The Public Affairs Assistant will have a key role in assisting the Institute to comment on issues of public and professional concern, including the countryside, housing, transport, research, planning aid and environmental education.

Applicants should have one or more of the following: Experience of local or central government; experience of town and country planning; a relevant degree. Sound administrative ability and competent typing are essential.

Job description and application form from:
The Royal Town Planning Institute
26 Portland Place
LONDON W1N 4BE
01-636 9107

Closing date 27th July 1987; interviews 3rd August 1987.

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DIRECTOR OF MANPOWER ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Salary: £16,534 - £24,736

As a member of the Corporate Management Group, you will be responsible for providing advice on manpower, organisation and management services to the Health Authority, the General Manager and Senior Managers. You will head a central corporate department and will take personal responsibility for developing the functions of Manpower and Personnel, Organisational Development, Information and Computing and Press and Public Relations. The current postholder acts as deputy to the General Manager.

This is a high profile role which calls for an individual who can command credibility at all levels of the organisation. Applicants should have a proven track record at senior management level backed up by professional personnel or management qualifications.

Salary will be negotiable depending upon background and experience.

Informal enquiries to Mr V J Peel, District General Manager, Tel: (0204) 390121. Ref No: 1353. Closing Date: 3 August 1987.

Immediate openings (BAT IIa or Ib) are available for

MOLECULAR BIOLOGISTS (Ph.D. or M.D.)

with neurobiologic interest and postdoctoral experience in diverse molecular biologic techniques. Experience in the biochemical characterization of neurotransmitter or peptide receptors is especially favoured.

Interested candidates are invited to submit a complete curriculum vitae, a list of publications and names of three references to

Reino Lankinen, Max-Planck-Institute for Experimental Medicine, Hermann-Rein-Strasse 3, 3400 Göttingen, FRG.

UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER

ASSISTANT ACCOUNTANT

Applications are invited from candidates with suitable qualifications and experience for a new post of Assistant Accountant in the University's Finance Office.

The precise duties of the post will be related to the background and experience of the of the person appointed, but it is likely that they will include responsibility for the financial administration of at least two of the following areas.

externally-funded research; payment of suppliers; estates and services expenditure; expenditure on central administration and related areas, budgetary control.

Initial salary will be on the Administrative Grade 3 scale (£15,415 to £18,210). A pay award of approximately 7% has been agreed, to take effect from 1 March 1988.

Further Particulars from the Head of Administration (Appointments), University of Leicester, University Road, Leicester, LE1 7RH, to whom applications on the form provided should be sent by 12 August 1987.

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EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT WORKER

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23/25 Grantham Road, Sparkbrook
Birmingham B11 1LU
or ring 021 773 7061

Deputy County Surveyor

£21,870 - £24,078

Following the appointment of the present postholder to the position of County Surveyor of this Authority applications are invited for the above post from persons with proven managerial experience.

Application forms for this post are returnable by 14 August 1987 and can be obtained together with further information from the Chief Executive, County Hall, Dorchester, DT1 1XJ.

DORSET County Council

NATIONAL CANINE DEFENCE LEAGUE

National animal charity seeks

FUND RAISING OFFICER

This is a junior executive position and requires a person with proven experience. Car driver and typing abilities essential. Please contact Miss Ruth Jack, National Canine Defence League, 1 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.

Tel: 01-388 0137

THE DEPARTMENT OF MOLECULAR NEUROENDOCRINOLOGY

of the Max-Planck-Institute for Experimental Medicine in Göttingen is offering a BAT Vb position for a

DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY

with administrative skills. Excellent knowledge of the English language is mandatory. Interested candidates are encouraged to submit a curriculum vitae and at least three references to

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Guildford School of Acting and Dance

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PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

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Chief Charity Commissioner

£41,000 from 1 October 1987 · Central London

Applications are sought for the post of Chief Charity Commissioner who is based in London. The Commission's role is currently under review following significant developments in the charitable sector. The person appointed would be expected to play a major part in any reshaping of the Commission.

The Chief Commissioner is the senior full-time member of staff of the Commission and is responsible to the Home Secretary for its policy, management and efficiency. With the other Charity Commissioners the post-holder exercises a quasi-judicial role in applying all aspects of charity law. The Chief Commissioner is the Accounting Officer for the Parliamentary Vote and has ultimate responsibility for all financial and personnel matters relating to some 330 staff.

The post demands a high level of personal, financial and managerial skills. The successful applicant will be an adaptable and vigorous manager with a successful record of administration and maximising value for money, preferably with knowledge of public finance. The person appointed will be expected to play an active part in public discussion of charity matters, to work well with the media and people active in charities. Experience of dealing with legal matters would be an advantage.

The successful candidate is likely to be aged between 45 and 55 and will be expected to take up the appointment in January 1988.

The salary will be £41,000. Normal retirement age for the post, which is permanent and pensionable, is 60.

For further information and an application form (to be returned by 21 August 1987) write to the Civil Service Commission, Alencon Link, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 1JB, or telephone (0256) 468551 (answering service operates outside office hours). Please quote ref: G/7295.

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DIRECTOR OPERATIONS DIVISION

This newly-created post offers the opportunity to collaborate with leaders from the world's textile industry in the growth and development of their own chartered professional body. It will carry responsibility for a worldwide programme of conferences; for adding to the list of 41 successful national/regional chapters; for recruitment of new individual and Company members; and for supporting the existing membership through library, information, lecture and consultancy services.

Leading a team of five staff, the successful candidate will be accountable for generating substantial revenue at the same time as enhancing the Institute's visibility in the eyes of every sector and occupation concerned with the design, manufacture, use, understanding or marketing products made from fibres. Candidates should therefore possess a creative approach to communication and leadership; a willingness to work as a team member; and an ability to develop and work within systems designed for the efficient management of resources and people.

Starting salary negotiable circa £15,500. Closing date 21 August 1987. Further particulars are obtainable from Janet Sellwood, The Textile Institute International Headquarters, 10 Blackfriars Street, Manchester, M3 5DR, Telephone 061-834 8457.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MAGISTRATES' COURTS

City of Nottingham

Appointment of Court Clerk

£10,545 - £12,039 p.a. (pay award pending, and subject to review)

Applicants will be solicitors or barristers or will have successfully completed their final examinations. Articles may be available.

The successful candidate will work in very busy courts (120 half-day Courts each week) with a friendly and enthusiastic team of 20 qualified Court Clerks.

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The post is subject to conditions of service of the J.N.C. for Magistrates' Courts Staff; satisfactory medical certificates will be required.

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The Deputy Clerk to the Justices, Mr.T.G.Moore, will be pleased to answer any questions and arrangements can be made for prospective applicants to spend a day at the Guildhall. Telephone Nottingham (0602) 476345.

Applications, together with the names and addresses of two referees, should reach the undersigned not later than Friday, 7th August, 1987, envelopes should be marked 'Appointment of Court Clerk'.

It is anticipated that interviews will be held on Friday, 4th September, 1987.

Canvassing for, or on behalf of, any candidate will result in disqualification.

ANTHONY DESBRUSLAIS
Clerk to the Magistrates' Courts Committee,
Guildhall, Nottingham.

ASSISTANT SURVEYOR

Berkshire

Our clients, BERKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, require an Assistant Surveyor for their Estates Division at Shinfield Park.

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Applications in writing together with the names and addresses if two referees should be sent to A.T. Draycott Esq., Clerk to the Magistrates' Committee, P.O. Box 49, College Road, Doncaster, South Yorkshire DN1 3TE., by Friday, 31st July 1987.

THE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION PUBLICITY AND MARKETING OFFICER

The Hockey Association is seeking to appoint a Publicity and Marketing Officer with responsibility for developing press and media relations, publications, sponsorships and the public relations aspects of national competitions and events.

The successful candidate will be responsible to the Chief Executive and is likely to be in the 25-35 age bracket and to have had some previous experience in sponsorship and sports marketing. Proven communication skills are an essential requirement.

Remuneration will be commensurate with age and experience and is expected to be in the region of £12,000pa.

Those wishing to apply should send a CV and covering letter by 14th August to: The Chief Executive, The Hockey Association, 16 Upper Woburn Place, London WC1H OQD

Applications should be marked confidential and include an indication of earliest availability if selected.

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Applications in the form of a brief c.v. with details of present employment should be sent to The Chairman, Wolverhampton Enterprise Limited, Lich Chambers, Exchange Street, Wolverhampton.

Closing Date 7th August 1987.

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Job description available from BLISS office.

Please send a full c.v. to the Chairman, BLISS, 44/45 Museum Street, London WC1.

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The person appointed will be expected to contribute significantly to the expertise in Financial Management within the Force, and to develop costing systems and the financial aspects of a management information system.

Duties will include assisting with the total financial strategy of the Force, interpretation of policy and the co-ordination of all financial matters in the Force. The postholder will report to the Force Administrative Officer and will assist in the managemtnt of the Pay and Finance Sections.

The post is situated at Force Headquarters, Nettleham, Lincoln, in a part of the counrty which has low housing costs and a high quality of life.

Applicants should be qualified accountants - not necessarily in the public sector - with 5 years relevant experience.

Relocation expenses are payable in certain cases.

***A job description is available from:* The Personnel Officer, Lincolnshire Police Headquarters, P.O. Box 999, Lincoln, LN5 7PH. Closing date for applications: 27th July 1987.**

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Further information and application forms are available from the:

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Tel: (04) 666 929**

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THE DEPARTMENT OF MOLECULAR NEUROENDOCRINOLOGY

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RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

(B.A./B.S. or Master Degree)

experienced or interested in synthetic peptide chemistry or protein chemistry. Candidates who would like to participate in a multidisciplinary approach to neuroendocrinologic problems are encouraged to submit a curriculum vitae and at least three references to:

**Reino Laukinen,
Max-Planck-Institute for Experimental Medicine,
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UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL

Department of Child Health

Chair of Paediatric Surgery

Applications are invited for the Chair of Paediatric Surgery which has become vacant following the retirement of Professor J.Lister.

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The salary will be within the range approved for clinical professorial salaries (currently up to £32,840 per annum) and initially will depend on the qualifications and experience of the succesful candidate.

Interested parties are invited to contact Professor F. Harris, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine: Tel: 051 709 0141. ext 2743.

Applications, together with the names of three referees, should be received not later than 30th September by

**The Registrar,
The University,
P.O. Box 147, Liverpool L69 3BX,**

from whom further details may be obtained. Telex 627095.

Quote Ref: RV/572/T

PUBLIC & HEALTH CARE APPOINTMENTS

CITY AND HACKNEY HEALTH AUTHORITY

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We are looking for somebody to assist in the smooth running of the Psychiatric Nursing Department at the Hackney Hospital. This post provides secretarial and administrative support to the Deputy Director of Nursing Services (Psychiatry). Main areas of responsibility include personnel issues and providing first line advice in employee relations issues.

Applicants must have good secretarial skills and a knowledge of Word Processing would be an advantage.

Application forms and job descriptions for both the above posts are available from: The Personnel Department, Hackney Hospital, Homerton High St., London, E9 6BE or Tel: 01 985 5555 Ext.8855. Please quote ref.

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(£10,874-£13,222 + £149 F.L.W.)

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For an informal discussion, please telephone Mr B Gibson, Director of Finance, on Guildford 61612 Ext. 244, or Mr P Munday, Deputy Director of Finance on Guildford 61612 Ext. 243.

A job description and application form can be obtained from the District Personnel Department, District Headquarters, Farnham Road Hospital, Guildford GU2 5LX. Telephone: Guildford 61612 Ext. 232. Closing date: 29 July 1987.

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For details contact Personnel (08926) 3311 Extension 481, Wealden District Council, Starfield, Beacon Road, Crowborough, E. Sussex TN6 1BA.

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Closing date: August 3.

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(Embassy of Japan)

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**The Administrative Financial Director,
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Britain's most controversial athlete is set to return after a year's break from competition

Budd back on the Olympic trail

MICHAEL HORNSBY reports from Johannesburg on secret treatment that could rescue Zola Budd's running career.

Almost a year after her last international appearance and two months after she believed her days as a world-class athlete were over, Zola Budd is planning an astonishing comeback.

She has revealed to *The Times* her intention to break through the turmoil that has clouded her life on and off the track by returning next month from startlingly successful treatment in South Africa to her adopted home at Guildford. She has set her sights on regaining the world cross-country title and competing in the Olympic Games next year.

Miss Budd has been at the centre of international controversy since, at the age of 17, she was brought from her native South Africa in March 1984 and rapidly granted a British passport because her grandfather had been born in Britain.

Her athletics potential as a schoolgirl running barefoot in South Africa – she ran six and a half seconds faster than Mary Decker's world record for 5,000 metres in January 1984 – was converted into fulfilment after her controversial switch of nationalities. In 1985, she won the European Cup 3,000 metres for Britain, officially lowered the world 5,000 metres record and claimed the world cross-country title.

European doctors beaten by problem

Now she holds none of these honours. After her disappointing European championships in Stuttgart last August, when she was ninth in the 1,500 metres and fourth in the 3,000 metres, it was disclosed that she had a leg injury. She has not competed internationally since, with doctors in Britain and West Germany unable to cure the problem.

But it has been corrected by Ronald Holder, a Johannesburg doctor who specializes in kinesiology, the science of body posture and balance – and now Miss Budd is ready to resume her running career.

"Earlier this year, I was very depressed – I thought my running career was over," Miss Budd said in a special interview with *The Times*. "I had an almost constant throbbing pain in the right hip. I couldn't sit properly and I couldn't sleep. I was in particularly low spirits in May just before I saw Dr Holder." Sponsorship contracts had not been renewed and she had been written off by some as another case of burn-out, the physical and mental collapse of young sportsmen and women who are brought on too quickly.

But now, aged 21, she is back to full fitness and is "ready to race anytime I want to". She hopes to return to international competition in a cross-country race in Europe later this year, and to win the world cross-country title for the third time next March in Auckland, New Zealand. Thereafter her sights are set on the main prize, the Olympic Games in Seoul, where she hopes to run in either the 3,000 or 10,000 metres.

Only in the last couple of months has Miss Budd resumed full training, thanks to what she says has been completely successful treatment of her leg by Dr Holder. She was put into contact with him by Fanie van Zijl, a South African middle-distance runner in the late 1960s and early 1970s who was unbeaten for five years in international competition at 800, 1,500, and 5,000 metres.

Miss Budd has been living since May with van Zijl, now a successful businessman, his wife and their two children, at their home in Randfontein, west of Johannesburg. Most of her training is done out of the public eye, on quiet roads and in hills and woods nearby. "I am very confident that I will be able to run as well as I used to, or even better," Miss Budd said.

Her apparent inability to choose definitively between South Africa and Britain has aroused criticism that she is using her British passport as a flag of convenience to gain entry to international competition. Hitherto her indecision has been excused on grounds of youth and immaturity, but she is now under pressure for a firm commitment.

"I intend to spend as much time as possible in Britain in future," she said. "I still own a house at Guildford and all my belongings are there. I have a lot of friends at Guildford. But I hope people will understand if I still visit South Africa from time to time because my mother lives here and I want to see her."

According to van Zijl, Miss Budd would have returned to Britain at the end of June, but because of her response to Dr Holder's treatment decided to stay longer to give him more time to work on her leg.

Miss Budd hopes to take A levels and go to a British university. Running, she added, was still her main interest. "I think that going through a period of doubt and wondering if I would race again has made me appreciate it more. I have a strong Christian faith and I think it has come out stronger from the experiences of the past three years. I am more self-confident. I have a thicker skin. I don't worry so much about what the newspapers and politicians say about me."

She is unlikely, however, to satisfy those who want her to disassociate herself publicly from the apartheid policies of the South African government. "I am an athlete first, and I keep my political views to myself." She argues that other athletes are not required to make such public professions of their beliefs and does not see why she should.

Held in high esteem by Fanie van Zijl

Van Zijl speaks highly of her. "She's tough, man. She's a world-beater. Look at her now, she's flying," he said, barely able to restrain his enthusiasm, as we watched his young charge going through her paces for a photographer on the running track of the Rand Afrikaans University in the bright sunshine of a Highveld winter's afternoon.

Van Zijl is the latest in a line of spiritual mentors and guardians to whom Miss Budd has turned in times of stress since her running began to attract world attention. He seems to have her best interests at heart and to want nothing more than for her to return to Britain as soon as possible. He says he has no desire to become her permanent coach.

Her first mentor was Pieter Labuschagne, the Bloemfontein schoolteacher who spotted her running talent and travelled with her to Britain and, allegedly, was involved in the rift between Miss Budd and her father. "Pieter and I are still good friends, but he is no longer involved in my running career," Miss Budd said, adding that he had now moved to Stellenbosch.

Then came Jannie Momberg, a wealthy South African sports administrator and Cape wine farmer who took Miss Budd under his wing and persuaded her to return to Britain in December, 1984, after she had announced the previous month that she had decided to retire from international athletics and stay in South Africa. Momberg still takes a long-distance interest in her career.

Pardoned later but damage was done

That short-lived decision to throw in the towel was taken when was at a low-point psychologically in the aftermath of her appearance in the 3,000 metres in the Los Angeles Olympics when she collided with Mary Decker. The American fell heavily and was injured while Miss Budd finished a forlorn seventh, running home to the boos of the crowd. Experts later agreed that Miss Decker, who married the British discus thrower, Richard Slaney, on January 1, 1985, had been in the wrong, but it was a devastating experience for an 18-year-old fresh from the backwoods of Bloemfontein.

The episode had been preceded by almost continuous controversy over the manner in which she had been brought to Britain earlier that year by the *Daily Mail*, speedily furnished with a British passport and rushed hastily into the British Olympic team.

She had a good year in 1985, gaining her first world cross-country title, winning the 3,000 metres in the European Cup in Moscow for Britain, and setting a world record of 14min 48:07sec for 5,000 metres. She was beaten by Mrs Slaney in the infamous so-called 'rematch' over 3,000 metres at Crystal Palace, but was consoled by the £92,000 which American television paid her to take part.

In 1986 she won her second world cross-country title, and had been due to run for England in the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh in July of that year. But, along with the South African-born swimmer, Annette Cowley, Miss Budd was banned from representing England. Neither was able to show that she had been resident in England for at least six of the previous 12 months, which would have made them eligible to compete.

TOMORROW

The doctor and the treatment that created a new chapter in Zola Budd's life



The long road back: Zola Budd has started again on her climb to the top

ZOLA BUDD'S CAREER HISTORY

1966: (May 26) Born in Bloemfontein.

1982: Became, at the age of 15, South African senior champion at 1,500 metres and 3,000 metres.

1983: Set five world junior best performances, including 8min 39.00sec for 3,000 metres while still 16.

1984: Broke Mary Decker's world 5,000 metres record with 15min 01.83sec at the age of 17, but mark could not be ratified as South Africa not a member of the IAAF. Further world junior bests at 1,500 metres (4min 01.81sec) and 3,000 metres (8min 37.5sec) followed, prior to controversial arrival in Britain and receipt of British citizenship in April. Won UK 1,500 metres title and set world 2,000 metres best of 5min 33.15sec, but in Los Angeles Olympic 3,000 metres was involved in downfall, literally, of Mary Decker, and was booed as she finished, in tears, in seventh place.

1985: Won world cross-country title for England by margin of 23sec. Paid $125,000 for over-hyped "revenge" match over 3,000 metres against Mary Slaney (née Decker) in London, finishing poor fourth some 70 metres behind American. Hit top form later in summer, winning Europa Cup 3,000 metres in 8min 35.32sec, smashing world record for 5,000 metres with 14min 48.07sec and setting Commonwealth records at 1,500 metres (3min 59.96sec), one mile (4min 17.57sec) and 3,000 metres (8min 28.83sec) – all in the space of three weeks.

1986: During winter established world indoor 3,000 metres best of 8min 39.79sec and retained world cross-country title by 18sec. Debarred from Commonwealth Games, she led at the bell in European 3,000 metres championship but faded to fourth place, followed by ninth in the 1500 metres. Has not raced since, due to injury.

HOCKEY

Manager gets the green light to include the Scots

By Sydney Friskin

Alistair Gray, the president of the Scottish Hockey Association, has confirmed that Scottish players will be available for the 1988 Olympic Games, if required by the manager of the Great Britain team.

This clarifies Scotland's position regarding the Olympics, which is unrelated to their recent rejection of the proposed merger of the home countries into a single team for the World Cup. The home countries take part separately in the World Cup, every four years, and merge for the Olympic Games.

"Our policy is to support the Olympic Games and if our players are called upon for 1988 we shall make them available," Gray said. Earlier this year the Scottish contingent was withdrawn from the Great Britain training squad, which meant that none of their players was available for the recent Champions' Trophy tournament in Amsterdam, where Great British finished fourth.

Scotland withdrew their players from the British training squad in order to concentrate, so it seemed, on the European championships, starting in Moscow on August 20. However, the Scottish president said: "Our problem so far has been more a question of the individual availability of players rather than matters of policy."

Watching the home countries tournament, which ended in Dublin on Sunday with a win for England, was Roger Self, the British team manager, who will also be in Moscow, where England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland will be playing in the European championships.

Self's next objective is to select and prepare the Minet British squad of 16 for the Lada Classic international tournament at Luton Football Club from October 9 to 11.

Phil Appleyard, the president of the Hockey Association, which is the controller of the game in England, had informal talks over the weekend with representatives from Wales and Scotland to prepare the ground for the meeting of the Great Britain Hockey Board (men and women) on November 7, when it is hoped that a solution will be found to the problem of qualifying for the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona.

WORLD STUDENT GAMES

British team rally for Sheffield

From a Special Correspondent, Zagreb

Sheffield is to host the next meeting of the International Student Sports Federation (FISU) executive in November as the city strives to wring an answer from student sport's controlling body on the outcome of its bid to stage the 1991 Universiade. It will be another costly exercise – estimates range from £10,000 to £30,000 – on top of the elaborate but very effective presentation mounted here, even though that was received by Primo Nebiolo, the FISU president, with the comment that bids had not yet formally opened.

A group of British competitors cheekily reminded Dr Nebiolo, and his fellow VIPs, of Sheffield's aspirations by prominently parading a banner in front of them stating: "See you in Sheffield in 1991" in both English and Croatian at Sunday's closing ceremony.

The sheer scale of the operation to mount the Games, which mostly went extremely smoothly, has both surprised and impressed the Sheffield delegation, who now realize what a task they have set themselves.

In all, 5,345 competitors and coaches from 122 countries took part in 752 events, which were reported on by 1,452 media representatives: the majority, it must be said, from Yugoslavia. The host country also subsidized a number of the poorer third world countries.

One hundred countries won no medals at all, while the British bag came to nine, all from swimming and athletics: four gold, one silver and four bronze. Final day medals came from Rob Harrison, a silver, in the 1,500 metres and David Swain, a bronze in the 5,000 metres.

As usual the USSR and the USA dominated, but with apparently little of the intense rivalry of an Olympics. One American gold medal was virtually handed them on a plate – the men's 4 x 400m relay – after the mysterious departure of several Nigerian athletes, which left their country without a team. Only world-ranked Innocent Egbunike, who had travelled just for the relay, was left, but without enough fit team-mates he, too, left for Rome to compete in Wednesday's Golden Gala, which is believed to be the destination of the others.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Australians on guard

Brisbane (AFP) – New Zealand, with a new coach, new captain and six new caps, will attempt to end Australia's winning run of 10 matches in their international here today. The Australians, who won the last series between the two countries by 3-0, are, understandably, strong favourites to win what will be the only meeting between the teams this year.

However their captain, Wally Lewis, thinks that the New Zealanders, under coach Tony Gordon, could pose a real threat. They are unbeaten on their current tour and, Gordon says, are particularly strong at centre where a newcomer, the powerful Kevin Iro, will team up with the trusty Dean Bell. Other new caps in the team are the props, Ross Taylor and Adrian Shelford, brother of the All Black, Wayne, second row forwards Sam Stewart and Mark Horo and the utility back, Gary Mercer.

Court of Appeal — Law Report July 21 1987 — Court of Appeal

'Hacking' into Prestel is not a Forgery Act offence

Regina v Gold
Regina v Schifreen
Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Leonard and Mr Justice Rose
[Judgment July 17]

Two computer "hackers", who demonstrated their skills by gaining unauthorized access into British Telecom's Prestel computer network, were not guilty of forgery under the Forgery and Counterfeiting Act 1981, which was not intended to apply to such a situation.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment allowing appeals on the first time such charges had been brought under the 1981 Act.

Their Lordships expressed the wish not to see repeated the Procrustean attempt to force the facts into the language of an Act not designed to fit them. It produced grave difficulties for both judge and jury.

The appeals were brought by Stephen William Gold, aged 31, an accounts clerk and freelance journalist, and Robert Jonathan Schifreen, aged 23, a technical author and journalist, against conviction after a nine-day trial at Southwark Crown Court (Judge Butler, QC and a jury) on specimen counts of making "a false instrument, namely, a device on or in which information is recorded or stored by electronic means with the intention of using it to induce the Prestel computer to accept it as genuine and by reason of so accepting it to do an act to the prejudice of British Telecommunications plc."

Gold, who was convicted on four counts, was fined £150 on each, with 14 days' imprisonment in default and was ordered to pay £1,000 towards the costs of prosecution. Schifreen, who was convicted on six counts, was also fined £150 on each, with the same term in default and the same order on costs.

Mr Colin Nicholls, QC and Mr Alistair Kelman, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant Gold: Mr Stephen Mitchell, QC and Mr Andrew Hochhauser, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals for the appellant Schifreen: Mr Michael Kalisher, QC and Mr Austen Issard-Davies for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE, giving the judgment of the court, said that, in order legitimately to obtain information from the Prestel data base, it was necessary to register as a user. A user was allocated a 10-numeral customer identification number (CIN) and also a password.

Access into the Prestel computer was by dialling the computer's number on BT's telephone system. Part of the user's equipment was a television screen and a keyboard. After the user became connected to the particular Prestel computer which he dialled, a picture appeared on his TV screen inviting him to "log on".

He then typed in his CIN, which was verified by the computer. The user then typed out his password, which also was verified by the computer.

If the computer was able to match up the CIN and the password with the user information which it had in its memory, the user was then admitted to those parts of the Prestel data base which he had been authorized to use.

The CIN passed down the telephone line as a series of electronic impulses which were received in a "user segment". Each user segment had three areas: the input buffer; the control area; and the output buffer. A buffer was an area in a computer which was used to receive or transmit information.

When the user keyed in his CIN it was received in the input buffer and was then immediately moved into the control area, where it was retained for the duration of the logging procedure. That time might be very brief indeed.

In order to verify the customer's identity and the password the user's details had to be accessed from the data base to determine whether he was a valid user or not. The function of the logging procedure was to compare the CIN with the information already contained in the user file.

If those two checks were completed successfully, the user was then allowed into the Prestel computer.

After those operations were over, the areas in the user segment that were used for the CIN and the password were cleared. Thereafter the input buffer was used to receive the instructions being keyed in by the user; the output buffer was used to show on the user's terminal the information which had been requested.

On any view, what the appellants did, if it was forgery at all, was a very unusual form of it. They did not dispute that they had gained access to the relevant Prestel data bank by means of a dishonest trick.

Their object was not so much to gain any profit for themselves as to demonstrate their skill as "hackers".

Although they no doubt appreciated that they were in a "grey area of the law", as one of them said to the police, there was no evidence or likelihood that they suspected that they might be contravening the provisions of the 1981 Act.

At the root of the case was the question: what was the false instrument which the appellants had made? Or, to expand the question by importing the definition in section 8(1), what was the device, *ejusdem generis* with disc, tape and sound track, on or in which information was recorded or stored by electronic means?

Surprisingly, no firm answer to that question appeared until much of the trial was over. No particulars were requested. The first positive inquiry came from the judge, who asked prosecuting counsel during submissions at the close of the prosecution case: "If I were to say to you, 'what is the instrument?' what would you reply?" Counsel said: "The answer I would have to give would be the user segment." That answer did not exude great confidence.

Their Lordships' sympathies were with the judge, faced as he was with the formidable, if not almost impossible task of putting before the jury fairly, accurately and intelligibly, a concept which came near to defying description.

Their Lordships had to decide whether the words of the 1981 Act were apt to cover what the appellants had admittedly done.

The prosecution had to prove first that the appellants made a false instrument. There were two possible candidates: (i) the electronic impulses; and (ii) the user segment.

Their Lordships agreed with the appellants' submissions that, if the "device" consisted of the electronic impulses, that could not found a charge of forgery; they were not of the same genus as disc, tape or sound track; they were no more than electronic translations of the CIN and password and were part of the process of transmission. They were the information which might be recorded or stored; they were not the device on which information was recorded or stored.

The prosecution based their case on the "user segment" as being the device which was falsified. Their argument was that the user segment of the relevant Prestel computer received the information, that is, the CIN and password, keyed into it by the caller and, having received it, the user segment retained or stored the information for the time which was required to verify it against the user files in the computer memory.

The argument went that the falsity was that specified in section 9(1)(a) or 9(1)(b), in that the instrument purported to have been made in that form by someone who did not make it or authorize its making. For the brief moment during which the user segment recorded or stored the false information it became a false instrument or device. It was made by the appellant who keyed in the CIN and password. Thus, the first and vital ingredient in the offence was established on the prosecution's argument.

Mr Kalisher submitted that the fact that the false instrument existed only for a moment of time was immaterial. It had come into existence and that was all that the Act required.

The simplicity of that submission was attractive but it required closer examination before being accepted.

Mr Nicholls drew attention to the *Law Commission Report on Forgery and Counterfeit Currency* (Law Com No 55, 1973), which pointed out that, in the straightforward case of forgery, a document contained messages of two distinct kinds: (i) a message about the document itself – for example, that it was a cheque; and (ii) a message to be found in the words of the document that was to be accepted and acted upon – for example, that a banker was to pay £X.

Only documents which contained both types of messages required protection by the law of forgery.

Paragraph 22 of the 1973 *Report* turned to the desirability of extending that protection to electronic devices. No difficulty arose over computerized printing of, for example, false dividend warrants, which would have been forgery without any necessity of amendment to the law.

The *Report* stated that the problem was related to the production of false recordings of information or instructions, whether on tape or other material, which were stored for further use. The *Report* then went on to suggest words to bring such material within the Act, and they were almost identical with the words now found in section 8 – "instrument" meant "(d) any disc, tape, sound track or other device on or in which information is recorded or stored by mechanical, electronic or other means".

The mischief sought to be remedied was the possibility of forgery by electronic means rather than by the hand-held pen. The basic concept of forgery did not require alteration. It only required adapting to electronic methods of creating false information or instructions which were recorded or stored for further use.

In their Lordships' judgment, the user segment in the instant case did not carry the necessary two types of messages to bring it within the ambit of forgery.

Moreover, neither the *Report* nor the Act sought to deal with information that was held for a moment while automatic checking took place and was then expunged. The process was not one to which the words "recorded or stored" could properly be applied, suggesting as they did a degree of continuance.

There was a further difficulty. Under section 1 the prosecution had to prove that the appellants intended that someone should accept as genuine the false instrument they had made. The suggestion was that it was a "machine" under section 10(3) which the appellants intended to induce to respond to the false instrument.

But the machine, that is, the user segment, which was intended to be induced seemed to be the very thing which was said to be the false instrument, that is, the user segment which was inducing the belief. If that analysis was correct, the prosecution case was reduced to an absurdity.

Their Lordships had accordingly concluded that the language of the 1981 Act was not intended to apply to the situation shown to exist in the case. Submissions of no case to answer should have succeeded.

Their Lordships reached the conclusion without regret. The Procrustean attempt to force the facts into the language of an Act not designed to fit them produced grave difficulties for both judge and jury which their Lordships would not wish to see repeated.

The appellants' conduct amounted in essence to dishonestly gaining access to the relevant Prestel data bank by a trick. That was not a criminal offence. If it was thought desirable to make it so, that was a matter for the legislature rather than the courts.

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Guarantee had no security term

TCB Ltd v Gray
Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Nicholls and Lord Justice Russell
[Judgment July 7]

A guarantee would not be discharged by the failure of the party to whom it was given to obtain collateral security from a third party unless the contract under which the guarantee had been given had provided that the obtaining of such a collateral security was to be a condition precedent to the guarantor's liability.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment, dismissing an appeal by the defendant, Mr Victor William Arthur Gray, from Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, Vice-Chancellor ([1986] Ch 621) who had given judgment for the plaintiff, TCB Ltd, for sums due under a guarantee given by the defendant in respect of a loan by the plaintiff to a company controlled by him.

Mr S. E. Brodie, QC and Mr Gabriel Moss for the defendant; Mr Nicholas Strauss, QC and Mr David Hodge for the plaintiff.

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that the defendant had contended first that the Vice-Chancellor's finding of fact that the guaranty was unlimited had, on the evidence, been wrong. That argument failed.

The plaintiff now took a point which had not been fully argued before the Vice-Chancellor, and with which he had therefore not dealt in his judgment. It now argued that even if a debenture purportedly issued by one of the defendant's companies to the plaintiff had been invalid, that invalidity would not, contrary to the defendant's contention, discharge the defendant's guarantee.

The court had been referred to *Traill v Gibbons* ((1861) 2 F & F 358), *Ward v National Bank of New Zealand* ((1883) 8 AC 577), *Greer v Kettle* ([1938] AC 156) and *Byblos Bank SAL v Al-Kudhairy* ([1987] BCLC 232). They established that where a guarantor wished to make his guarantee dependent on the giving of some other valid collateral security by a third party he must establish that that formed part of the contract under which the guarantee had been given.

The distinction had to be borne in mind that the giving of a collateral security would almost always be a basic requirement of the lender but by no means always a requirement of the guarantor.

In the absence of the guarantor establishing that the taking of a collateral security was a term of the contract, the guarantor could not rely on the lender's failure to provide himself with such a security, although he might have indicated that he was going to do so.

Moreover, for such a term to be established it must not only be intended subjectively by the guarantor but it must also be brought home to and accepted by the lender.

The defendant had, however, contended that, on the authority of *Amalgamated Investment and Property Ltd v Texas Commerce International Bank Ltd* ([1982] 1 QB 84), it was necessary to look at the factual matrix and oral agreements pursuant to which the guarantee was executed, and that the printed standard terms of the guarantee had to be considered as subordinate to the overall effect of the oral agreements.

However, so considering the factual matrix there was no evidence on which the Vice-Chancellor would have been entitled to find that the defendant's alleged subjective understanding, that the obtaining of a valid debenture was fundamental to the guarantee, was ever brought home to the plaintiff, let alone accepted by it as a term of the guarantee.

Lord Justice Nicholls and Lord Justice Russell agreed.

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Floral Charms poised to secure another victory for winning team

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

William Hastings-Bass, the Newmarket trainer, and Dale Gibson look the men to follow again at Pontefract today in round two of the White Lane Apprentice Series.

I say again because four weeks ago the same combination succeeded in winning the first of this four-race series, sponsored by the locally-based White Lane Group.

On that occasion their runner was Apple Rings, who had finished second first time out. Now they rely on another filly, Floral Charms, who was also runner-up in her first race of the season.

She seemed to find seven furlongs at Salisbury a little too far even though she comes from the same female line as Dahlia, the only horse to have won the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes twice.

Floral Charms clearly gets her speed from her sire, Shecky Greene, who is noted as the sire of that crack French two-year-old, Green Forest, now doing so well at stud himself. Floral Charms should appreciate the slight drop in distance today and gain her first success.

Ian Balding, who is Hasting's Bass's brother-in-law, has also singled out today's race for Sheldon Mills, another well-bred filly from North American stock.

But with his usually powerful Kingsclere stable still in the doldrums I much prefer the Newmarket-based challenger, whose talented young rider is as good as you will find in this sphere.

When Kufuma finished fourth in that highly eventful Magnet Cup at York 10 days ago Random Rover was behind. Now they clash again in the Bradley EBF Stakes for which the steadily improving McCubbin, who is my selection, is the only other runner.

McCubbin, representing Henry Cecil, has been active at Wolverhampton, Windsor and Brighton of late and although this represents probably his stiffest test yet I feel that today's race is the ideal opportunity for him to record his fifth consecutive win.

J Cheever Loophole, trained by Colin Tinkler, is taken to win the St John's Priory Stakes in the belief that Golden Garter was flattered at Doncaster when he was beaten only a length by Lust Of Power, who has since won a much more competitive race at the Newmarket July meeting.

The feeling prevails that J Cheever Loophole, who had useful form in the spring, was not at his best at Ayr last time when he finished only fourth behind Cannon Law.

Whether or not that was the case the form is still adequate enough here because earlier in the season Cannon Law had beaten Oakworth at York. Since then Oakworth has finished second in both the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Prix Robert Papin at Maisons-Laffitte last Sunday.

Disappointingly, Cannon Law, a course winner, has only one opponent, Lac d'Azur, in the Strathclyde Stakes at Ayr where stable and travelling companion, Signore Odone, looks to have a good chance of taking the Souter Johnie Handicap.



Colin Tinkler: good prospects of a Pontefract victory with J Cheever Loophole

Meanwhile visitors to Folkestone's evening meeting will be treated to the sight of champion jockeys past and present, Steve Cauthen and Pat Eddery, in action. They are, of course, also the main protagonists in the battle for this year's title. Cauthen will be there principally to partner Picnicing and In The Habit for Cecil.

While conceding that opposing that stable has been costly this season I still feel that Note Book (6.45) and Water Boatman (8.45) have the better chances now. The latter, who ran in the Derby, did well at York recently when he accounted for Natski and now that he has struck form I think he looks poised to give Eddery another winning ride in the Ramsden Foundation Trusts Graduation Stakes.

Earlier in the evening Eddery should also win the St. Loye's College Exeter Handicap on the John Dunlop-trained Harlestone Lake, who was far from disgraced at Goodwood last time when she was runner-up to that good stayer, El Conquistador.

Levy Board prize allocation nears £13m

The Horserace Betting Levy Board will contribute £12.85 million towards prize-money in 1988, an increase of 7.1 per cent on the current year. Flat racing accounts for 60 per cent of the total with the remaining 40 per cent allocated to National Hunt.

One of the key aspects of the Board's 1988 prize-money scheme is its support for what are described as "lower tier" races, that is, those events which attract the less talented horses. Maiden, claiming and apprentice races are among those in this category on the Flat, while over jumps it applies to maiden and novice hurdles, conditional and claiming races.

The Board has earmarked £250,000 out of its total prize-money increase of £850,000 for such races, having accepted the advice of the Jockey Club that it would not be feasible to introduce minimum values.

On the recommendations of the Flat Pattern Committee, all the £50,000 increase in grants towards pattern races on the Flat will be aimed at group one two-year-old events. The Levy Board has previously expressed concern over vulnerability to competition from overseas races in that area, notably from Ireland.

The Levy Board chairman, Sir Ian Trethowan, commented: "The improvement in our financial position, highlighted in our annual report last week, has enabled us to maintain our exisiting prize-money objectives while also release funds for lower tier races."

Reference Point will be suited by soft ground for Ascot showpiece

From Michael Seely, Lexington, Kentucky

Henry Cecil, yesterday sweltering in the 94 degree heat of Kentucky, was welcoming the rain that has been pouring down in Britain.

"I have got to think that soft ground will be in Reference Point's favour," he said. "After all, he won the William Hill Futurity in those conditions last year. He's a big, heavy horse and doesn't really let himself go on the firm."

Alec Stewart, however, reiterated that Mtoto, the conqueror of the Derby winner in Sandown's Eclipse Stakes, would be withdrawn in the event of any further deterioration in the weather. "Mud would be no good at all to him as he'd be unlikely to stay," commented the trainer.

The only man apart from Cecil undeterred by the news was Barry Hills. Unanimously voted the best-dressed trainer in the breakfast room by virtue of his coral pink trousers with a blue and green overcheck, he said from underneath his immaculate straw hat: "Sir Harry Lewis is an out-and-out stayer and heavy ground would inconvenience his rivals more than him."

Cecil also has other Ascot plans for two of his juveniles. "Bluebook goes for the Princess Margaret Stakes and I am running a very nice unraced colt, Reprimand, in the Granville Stakes. They are likely to run, whatever the ground."

After her impressive Newmarket win Bluebook is already joint-favourite for next spring's 1,000 Guineas with her stable companion, Diminuendo, who is now to be aimed at the Waterford Candelabra Stakes at the Goodwood August meeting.

Before the sale started the six-times champion trainer visited Spring Oak Farm with Maria Niarchos to look at Nureyev, one of the world's top stallions, who has been critically ill since breaking his off-hind leg in an accident in the covering shed on May 4.

"We are still hoping he's going to be all right," said Mrs Niarchos. "He's had the plaster cast off for a couple of days but he had to have it put back on again as he's in such pain."

Nureyev's daughter, Miesque, the English and French 1,000 Guineas winner, who was so comprehensively beaten by Indian Skimmer in the Prix de Diane, is now to take on Don't Forget Me in the Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville.

Keeneland is a sultry amalgam of the past, present and future, and as the time of the world's most significant yearling auction approached, speculation about prospects mounted with the increasing heat.

Ascot going

The going at Ascot was yesterday described as "soft in the morning but drying quickly" by Nicholas Beaumont, the clerk of the course.

"We had a lot of rain during the night and at the moment it's probably between soft and good to soft," he said.

The stallion nomination market has always been a reliable guide to the current situation, and at the Matchmaker Living Legends Seasons and Shares Sale on Sunday night, 45 lots were sold for an average of $147,711.

On noting that nominations to Storm Bird, The Minstrel and Blushing Groom had changed hands at $112,000, $75,000 and $180,000 respectively, David Minton, the bloodstock agent, commented: "This seems to show that the market is holding up well. Some of these prices are about 10 per cent down on last year, but don't forget that it's money up front with all the interest to be paid on it."

For days now international buyers have been inspecting the cream of this year's North American crop in the brightly-painted, shady barns at Keeneland. The Arabs are here in force and Bill Greely, the Keeneland president, reports requests for credit for more than $1 million from Australia and Japan and a new Irish consortium with $10 million to invest in the market.

The burning question is whether prices will settle or whether the downturn from 1983 will continue. Peggy Vandervoort, a consignor at Keenelands for 27 years, said: "People are not so keen to pay the huge top dollars any more. The quality is still being sought after and I think prices will be about the same as last year's. There shouldn't be any dramatic upswing as the Arabs, who were responsible for so much of the hype, now have so many good horses of their own."

Pointers to a strong market are the following facts: the weakness of the American dollar, which will encourage foreign buyers; prices for two-year-olds in training have been on the increase; and the continuing growth in attendances and increases in prize-money on most tracks in the States.

Unfortunately, it is already accepted that many breeders are going to face a loss this year, because of inflated stallion prices in 1985. Seattle Slew, for example, in whom a nomination was sold for $250,000 on Sunday night, was costing breeders $800,000 at that time.

Most of the consignors of the 15 offspring of Northern Dancer are unlikely to show a profit. However, an exception is the home of the previous wonder stallion. Windfields Farm, who are offering the potential sale-topping full brother to Secreto, the 1984 Derby winner.

"We were probably in as good a position as anyone in the world to capitalize on the ascendancy of the stallion market," said Joe Hickey, the farm manager. "But after next year we're going to be in the same boat as everybody else when we look for a replacement."

PONTEFRACT

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.45 FLORAL CHARMS (nap).	2.45 Floral Charms.
3.15 Bee Bee Cee.	3.15 Habit Forming.
3.45 Ultra Nova.	3.45 Blazing High.
4.15 J Cheever Loophole.	4.15 Turbo Speed.
4.45 McCubbin.	4.45 McCubbin.
5.15 Duckington.	5.15 Burly Native.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.45 FLORAL CHARMS.

Going: good — **Draw: low numbers best**

2.45 WHITELANE APPRENTICE MAIDEN RACE (3-Y-O: £1,758: 6f) (12 runners)

1	(7)	400000	DAHADN 20 (B) (D Norton) Ron Thompson 8-7	P Simms	—
2	(9)	000004	HENRY WILL 11 (G Leggott) T Fairhurst 8-7	R Lappin	83
3	(1)		HOFFA (Mrs D Haine) J Toller 8-7	Jackie Houston	—
5	(5)	0340-00	LEADING PLAYER 35 (Mrs J Green) R Hollinshead 8-7	A Culhane	82
10	(10)	00-4004	AMBER ESPANA 8 (B) (Mrs D Headland) M Tophams 8-4	G Klag	84
11	(6)	30-0	CHEVSKA 6 (B McAlpine) D Morley 8-4	P Barnard	81
14	(8)	0-2	FLORAL CHARMS 26 (R Holmes a Court) W Hastings-Bass 8-4	Dale Gibson	● 99
16	(4)	00-000	MILLFIELDS HOUSE 49 (M Higgins) B McMahon 8-4	J Carr	75
17	(2)	00-0430	ROYAL SPECIAL 20 (G Moses) B McMahon 8-4	G Athanasiou	72
18	(11)	0444-00	SHELDON MILLS 24 (Mrs J McDougald Farms) I Balding 8-4	M Marshall	83
19	(12)	0-0040	TRIAL BID 39 (N Phillips) W Jarvis 8-4	W Litwin	71
20	(3)	00-00	WILLOWTREE GIRL 60 (T Morton) R Whitaker 8-4	—	62

BETTING: 11-10 Floral Charms, 11-2 Henry Will, 13-2 Leading Player, 7-1 Sheldon Mills, 8-1 Amber Espana, 10-1 Royal Special, 12-1 Chevska, 16-1 others.

1986: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM HENRY WILL (9-0) not disgraced in a York maiden last time (1f, £3512, firm, Jly 10, 5 ran) when 7½l 4th to Prince Rupert (9-0). ROYAL SPECIAL (7-13) beat LEADING PLAYER (8-2) a short head when 4½l 4th and 5th to Count Trevisio (8-11) in a Nottingham apprentice claimer (6f, £2072, good to soft, Jun 15, 19 ran). AMBER ESPANA (8-6) 7½l 4th to Gallant Gallois (8-7) at Leicester (1m, Claim, £2593, good to firm, Jly 13, 10 ran). CHEVSKA (8-11) showed best in a Nottingham maiden last season (5f, £1030, good to soft, Apr 29, 14 ran) when 1¾l 3rd to Four Lafts (8-11). FLORAL CHARMS (8-8) kept on well when 1¾l 2nd of 15 to Lora's Guest (8-11) at Salisbury last time (7f, £1667, good, Jun 25). SHELDON MILLS (8-11) decent juvenile form included a 4¾l 4th to Samsiya (8-11) in a Leicester maiden (6f, £1712, good, Nov 3, 15 ran). Selection: FLORAL CHARMS

3.15 ALLSORTS SELLING HANDICAP (£1,129: 1m) (22 runners)

3	(4)	00-0020	MOLLY PARTRIDGE 15 (F) (G Farndon Eng Co Ltd) H Wharton 4-9-10	J Reid	95
6	(12)	400000	GLORIANT 15 (M Brittain) M Brittain 4-8-13	A Bacon (7)	88
7	(16)	11320/0	WOODPECKER BOY 14 (D,F) (Mrs B Boland) J Wainwright 6-8-8	M Hindley	—
8	(22)	004-000	MABEL ALICE 28 (Mrs B Mason) P Feigate 4-8-7	A Mackay	89
10	(10)	100023/	NORROY (D) (Mrs P Cann) W Williams 10-9-4	Paul Eddery	—
14	(3)	213000	TARSTEAC 7 (F) (M Hall) S Bowring 7-8-2	A Proud	92
16	(20)	0	HABIT FORMING 13 (F) (P Harris) D Ringer 7-8-13	P d'Arcy	—
17	(9)	00-0000	GLORIANT 15 (M Brittain) M Brittain 4-8-13	A Bacon (7)	88
18	(1)	003000	ERANTHE 15 (C Granger) W Bentley 3-8-13	R Lappin (5)	● 99
20	(7)	00-0000	SHARK FIGHTER 41 (G,S) (W McClennon) R Bastiman 4-8-12	—	91
21	(2)	310/000	BANNA'S RETREAT 18 (V,G) (F Barlow) A Potts 6-8-11	R Lines (3)	—
22	(14)	0-00004	COMPOSER 8 (B,D,F,G,S) (Mrs M James) M James 9-8-11	G Duffield	97
23	(17)	44000-3	HIGHAM GREY 6 (C,F,G,S) (W Chapman) D Chapman 11-8-10	L Charnock	—
24	(21)	00-0000	MUSICAL DANCER 15 (Mrs L Creber) T Barron 3-8-10	A Culhane (5)	90
25	(5)	004/00-0	KARAMANAO 15 (H Collingridge) H Collingridge 5-8-8	M Rimmer	—
27	(6)	060300	OCTIGA 28 (F,G) (R Thompson) Ron Thompson 4-8-7	R P Elliott	92
28	(11)	0000-2	GLENDERRY 41 (B,D,G) (Mrs A Jones) Hbt Jones 5-8-7	T Quinn	94
29	(18)	00-0003	BEE BEE CEE 7 (V) (R Vine) M Fetherston-Godley 3-8-7	R Cochrane	99
32	(15)	000-300	RUN FOR FRED 15 (A Potts) A Potts 5-8-6	A Shoults (3)	93
34	(19)	002000	ROAN REEF 7 (V) (Mrs N Macauley) Mrs N Macauley 3-8-5	B Eatwell (7)	98
35	(8)	0000-00	JOHNNY FRENCHMAN 13 (R Balmbridge) A Watson 6-8-5	J Carroll (5)	—
36	(13)	203044	GLORY GOLD 7 (M Brittain) M Brittain 3-8-5	K Darley	94

BETTING: 4-1 Glory Gold, 9-2 Bee Bee Cee, Higham Grey, 5-1 Composer, 6-1 Molly Partridge, Glenderry, 12-1 Mabel Alice, 14-1 Musical Dancer, 20-1 others.

1988: POLEMISTIS 7-8-8 Sharron James (20-1) M James 16 ran

FORM MOLLY PARTRIDGE started favourite and (9-4) was not disgraced when 4¾l 5th to Tit Willow (9-10) with MUSICAL DANCER (8-12) 1¾l 6th, RUN FOR FRED (8-6) a further ½l 7th and GLORIANT (8-13) 11th at Edinburgh (7f, £1170, firm, Jly 6, 14 ran). Previously MOLLY PARTRIDGE (8-7) best effort when ½l 2nd to Rhapsody In Black (8-1) with MABEL ALICE (8-8) 5¾l 6th, OCTIGA (7-8) a length back in 7th and MUSICAL DANCER (7-9) 1½l 8th here (1m, £1082, good, Jun 23, 21 ran). COMPOSER (9-0) showed he still has ability when 2¾l 4th to Carijulen (7-11) at Edinburgh (1m, £1145, firm, Jly 13, 11 ran). HIGHAM GREY, winner of seventeen races, is dropped in class after a fair effort on reappearance (7-7) finishing 13l 3rd to Rapid Lad (9-5) at Beverley (1m 2f, h'cap, £1650, good to firm, Jly 15, 6 ran); should strip fitter today. GLENDERRY easily best form on latest start (8-5) finishing 1½l 2nd to Record Hauler (8-11) with BANNA'S RETREAT (9-1) and SHARK FIGHTER (8-1) well behind at Beverley (1m 2f, £1015, good to soft, Jun 10, 19 ran). BEE BEE CEE (8-11) one paced 1½l 3rd to Call For Taylor (8-6) with ROAN REEF (8-11) a distant 8th at Leicester (1m, £995, good to firm, Jly 14, 18 ran). Selection: HIGHAM GREY

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
H Cecil	14	28	50.0
I Balding	16	54	29.6
B Hills	10	39	25.6
B Hanbury	6	33	18.2
M Morley	8	56	14.3
M H Easterby	15	125	12.0

JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
M Hindley	5	31	16.1
R Cochrane	14	87	16.1
J Reid	7	44	15.9

Only qualifiers

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-6432 TIMESFORM 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name. Days since last outing. (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F-firm, good to firm, hard. G-good. S-soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.45 KING RICHARD III HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,043: 5f) (3 runners)

3	(2)	401-043	ULTRA NOVA 15 (D,BF,F) (C Shacolas) P Cole 9-7	T Quinn	95
6	(3)	34U03-0	BLAZING HIGH 11 (K Seow) R Hutchinson 9-2	P Hutchinson	92
10	(1)	04-3040	DANCING BELLE 17 (D,F) (C Newton Jun Ltd) T Fairhurst 8-5	G Duffield	● 99

BETTING: 1-3 Ultra Nova, 7-2 Blazing High, 10-1 Dancing Belle.

1986: SEW HIGH 9-2 J Hills (10-1) B McMahon 10 ran

FORM ULTRA NOVA (8-12) showed best form this season round Chester's sharp turns (5f, £3902, firm, May 5, 12 ran) on reappearance when 2l 5th to Rimbeau (7-12). BLAZING HIGH, in need of race and 6th of 7 on Chester debut, showed best last year when (8-11) 1½l 3rd to Mazilier (9-1) at Catterick (5f, £1470, good to firm, Oct 18, 8 ran). DANCING BELLE (7-10) below form since a seasonal debut 3½l 3rd to Perion (9-13) in a Doncaster handicap (5f, £3941, good to firm, May 14, 9 ran). Selection: ULTRA NOVA

4.15 ST JOHN'S PRIORY STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,029: 5f) (4 runners)

1	(4)	02121	GOLDEN GARTER 15 (D,F) (T Wong) M Britain 9-7	K Dooley	95
2	(3)	21124	J CHEEVER LOOPHOLE 31 (CD,BF,F) (S Astaire) C Tinkler 9-7	G Duffield	● 99
5	(2)	103	TURBO SPEED 12 (G) (M Salem) B Hanbury 9-4	R Cochrane	95
7	(1)		SPARKLING SOVEREIGN (Mrs A Booton) B McMahon 8-6	T Williams	—

BETTING: 6-4 J Cheever Loophole, 13-8 Golden Garter, 11-4 Turbo Speed, 16-1 Sparkling Sovereign.

1986: ONGOING SITUATION 9-4 Pat Eddery (9-4) D Morley 4 ran

FORM GOLDEN GARTER (9-5) never headed when a 1½l winner from Fleur De Foret (8-1) at Edinburgh last time (5f, £1026, firm, Jly 6, 6 ran). J CHEEVER LOOPHOLE (9-6) is genuine and consistent, last time at Ayr (5f, £2444, good, Jun 20) 3¼l 4th of 5 to Canon Law (9-6). TURBO SPEED (9-0) won a Yarmouth maiden by 1¾l from Rose Of Ebony (9-0) (6f, £964, good, Jun 9, 15 ran) before being outclassed behind the potentially top class Undercut in a Listed race at Newmarket last time. SPARKLING SOVEREIGN (foaled: May 22, cost: 720gns) is half-sister to a juvenile selling winner. Selection: GOLDEN GARTER

4.45 BRADLEY EBF STAKES (£2,368: 1m 2f) (3 runners)

1	(1)	131424	KUFUMA 10 (V,CD,F,G,S) (Z Al-Kulaibi) G Huffer 5-9-7	G Carter	99
3	(3)	0-31111	MCCUBBIN 13 (D,F,S) (C St George) H Cecil 3-8-9	Paul Eddery	● 99
4	(2)	22-1100	RANDOM ROVER 10 (F,S) (R Bonnycastle) B Hills 3-8-6	J Reid	96

BETTING: 4-5 McCubbin, 15-8 Kufuma, 4-1 Random Rover.

1988: OZOPULMIN 3-8-4 Pat Eddery (7-4 fav) L Cumani 6 ran

FORM KUFUMA, twice a course and distance winner, stayed on (9-11) to be 1¼l 4th to Brave Dancer (8-8) with RANDOM ROVER (8-7) a moderate 8th at York (1m 2f, £19463, good to firm, Jly 11, 9 ran). Early in season KUFUMA (8-11) ran a fine race to beat consistent Power Bender (8-8) 5l here (1m 2f, £3753, good, Apr 22, 8 ran). MCCUBBIN effortless winner of a Brighton match last time showed best form on penultimate start (8-4) beating Beeshi (9-4) 1½l at Brighton (1m2f, £1783, good to soft, Jun 23, 5 ran). Cecil's representative has improved all season and goes well on an easy surface. RANDOM ROVER is better than he showed on latest start judged on (9-4) a 6l 6th to Pipsted (8-6) at Ascot (1m 4f, £11311, soft, Jun 18, 20 ran). Selection: MCCUBBIN

5.15 DE LACY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £1,415: 1m 4f) (12 runners)

3	(7)	03-00	ORIENTAL PLUME 52 (K Fischer) R Hollinshed 9-7	S Perks	91
6	(5)	04-4003	RUSSIAN LULLABY 46 (P Mellon) I Balding 9-1	S O'Gorman (7)	93
7	(10)	00-0001	BURLY NATIVE 43 (D,G) (Heathavon Ltd) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-13	W Ryan	90
8	(8)	40-03	DUCKINGTON 27 (Lady Murless) M H Easterby 8-11	G Duffield	● 99
9	(11)	0-32003	COMEDY SAIL 7 (B) (O Zawawi) M Francis 8-10	J Reid	93
10	(3)	6-000	UPWELL 8 (D Goose) C J Bell 8-9	P Barnard (7)	—
11	(6)	3343-40	SILVER ANCONA 25 (D Gorton) C Tinkler 8-9	M Wood	97
14	(9)	000-03	DEFTLY 13 (R Bradley) W Elsey 8-4	Paul Eddery	96
15	(4)	403042	RIVERS SECRET 13 (B,F) (J Simpson) Denys Smith 8-3	T Quinn	95
17	(1)	00-0000	BALHOLME EXPRESS 8 (B Pollins) A Hide 8-2	G Carter	97
18	(12)	440-000	HAYGATE PARK 22 (G Mills) W Musson 8-2	M Wigham	88
22	(2)	0000-00	SEULEMENT 41 (G Ward) D Arbuthnot 7-11	T Williams	—

BETTING: 2-1 Burly Native, 11-4 Rivers Secret, 9-2 Russian Lullaby, Deftly, 8-1 Duckington, 10-1 Comedy Sail, 12-1 others.

1986: BUTTERFLY KISS 9-7 Pat Eddery (2-1 fav) G Wragg 5 ran

FORM RUSSIAN LULLABY up to best when (9-6) 4l 3rd to Geruntly (8-5) at Catterick (1m 5f, £1312, good to firm, Jun 5, 8 ran). DUCKINGTON looks very well handicapped on basis juvenile form but only worthwhile effort this term (8-7) a 16½l 3rd to Crown Ridge (8-7) at Ripon (1m 1f, £1395, good, Jun 24, 10 ran). COMEDY SAIL returned to best latest start (8-9) finishing 3l 3rd to Expletive (9-8) at Leicester (1m 4f, £2572, good to firm, Jly 14, 12 ran). SILVER ANCONA disappointing last time, previously (8-8) 2¾l 4th to Royal Illusion (8-3) at Haydock (1m 2f, £2269, good, May 22, 20 ran). RIVERS SECRET just out battled when (8-7) a short head 2nd to Mischievous Miss (9-1) with DEFTLY (8-10), running best race so far, only a head away 3rd at Catterick (1m 5f, £1694, firm, Jly 8, 7 ran). HAYGATE PARK had decent two year old form and came back to something like that last time (8-2) finishing 11¼l 6th to Faoyapour (8-9) at Nottingham (1m 2f, £2100, good, Jun 29, 15 ran). Selection: DUCKINGTON

Strong British raid on Belgian prize

Phardante (Greville Starkey), a close third in the event 12 months ago, heads a four-strong British challenge for the Grand Prix Prince Rose (11f) at Ostend today.

Also competing for Belgium's richest prize of around £50,000 to the winner are Classic Tale (Walter Swinburn), Chaumiere (Bruce Raymond) and Star North (Tony Ives).

The field of nine is completed by the local hopes Sasebo and Axelmore, Anthony's Dream from Holland, and the French duo Tip Risk and Luth d'Or.

4.0 BUTE SELLING HANDICAP (£850: 1m 2f) (8 runners)

1	(6)	2-00000	GAELIC LOVER 25 (V,G) (E Hutchison) C Tinkler 3-9-10	M Birch	● 99
3	(5)	00010	NIKIMI 5 (F) (Full Circle Thoroughbreds) N Tinkler 3-9-4	Kim Tinkler	5 93
4	(8)	40003-0	COUNTESS CARLOTTI 24 (L Barratt) L Barratt 4-9-3	D Nicholls	91
5	(7)	0-0000	BOMBALONG 32 (G Nolan) A W Jones 4-9-3	S Webster	—
9	(4)	000330	PAY DIRT 7 (V) (C Barber-Lomax) T Fairhurst 3-8-10	M Hills	96
10	(2)	0000	FALLING FOSS 38 (Mrs D Schreiber) Mrs G Reveley 3-8-10	S Quane (7)	86
11	(1)	0000-00	JUST A DECOY 28 (M Pound) N Bycroft 3-8-9	J Lowe	97
12	(3)	0000-04	JELLY JILL 20 (R Allan) R Allan 4-8-7	P Hill (7)	88

BETTING: 9-4 Pay Dirt, 5-2 Nikimi, 7-2 Jelly Jill, 6-1 Countess Carlotti, 8-1 Just A Decoy, 10-1 Gaelic Lover, 14-1 Bombalong, Falling Foss.

1986: CADENETTE 4-9-3 N Connorton (12-1) M Camacho 8 ran

4.30 KIRKOSWALD MAIDEN STAKES (£959: 1m 5f) (8 runners)

1	(6)	000/000-	NIGHT GUEST 307 (J Fiddes) P Monteith 5-9-8	P Burke (7)	—
3	(3)	0	CHOCTAW 18 (G Reed) C Thornton 3-8-8	J Bleasdale	—
4	(2)	400	GALLOWAY RAIDER 14 (Mrs D Allan) Denys Smith 3-8-8	M Birch	93
5	(8)	060-0	GOLD JUSTICE 4 (E Benfield) P Mitchell 3-8-8	C Rutter	—
7	(7)	00	LORD TENDERFOOT 74 (C Ainsworth) C Thornton 3-8-8	J Lowe	—
8	(4)	0-032	PANAMA JACK 42 (D MacPherson) P Calver 3-8-8	M Fry	● 99
9	(5)	0	CAMP CHAIR 24 (Lord Derby) J Watts 3-8-5	N Connorton	87
10	(1)	44	CEDESA 70 (R Sangster) J Hindley 3-8-5	M Hills	91

BETTING: 7-4 Panama Jack, 5-2 Cedesa, 4-1 Galloway Raider, 1-2 Camp Chair, 10-1 Lord Tenderfoot, 14-1 others.

1986: RUN HIGH 3-8-7 A Clark (11-4) G Harwood 11 ran

5.0 DUMFRIES HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,169: 7f) (9 runners)

1	(9)	001140	GOLD MINORIES 18 (F,G) (E Benfield) P Mitchell 9-7	C Rutter	94
2	(8)	2-00000	ANNIE NOONAN 2 (B,C,G) (A Booth) N Tinkler 9-6	Kim Tinkler	91
3	(7)	000-00	ALTOBELLI 39 (C Boom) C Booth 9-5	M Hills	93
6	(5)	14-0	ASTON LASS 10 (S) (L Barratt) L Barratt 9-3	P Hill (7)	91
8	(4)	242403	AIR OF SPRING 22 (Mrs S Sturman) T Barron 8-7	D Nicholls	● 99
10	(6)	001004	ROOF GHOST 5 (S) (R Aylward) J Wilson 8-3	Julie Bowker (7)	95
12	(1)	000	VICARAGE ROAD 53 (P Newton) J Watts 8-1	N Connorton	85
14	(2)	00-0300	MAZURKANOVA 22 (BF,G) (M D M Racing) C Thornton 7-11	E Johnson	98
15	(3)	200060	BLANDELL BEAUTY 2 (D Ellison) M Bolton 7-7	J Lowe	96

BETTING: 3-1 Aston Lass, 7-2 Air Of Spring, 4-1 Gold Minories, 11-2 Vicarage Road, 6-1 Mazurkanova, 8-1 Altobelli, 12-1 Roof Ghost, 14-1 others.

1986: SPORTING SOVERIGN 8-13 W Woods (15-2) M Jarvis 14 ran

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
J Hindley	21	91	23.1
N Bycroft	9	44	20.5
M H Easterby	18	113	15.9
A Jones	8	54	14.8
J Watts	24	186	12.9
C Thornton	13	131	9.9

JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
Kim Tinkler	6	19	31.6

Only qualifier

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Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.30 Choral Work.	2.30 Olivers Maid.
3.00 Canon Law.	3.00 —
3.30 Signore Odone.	3.30 Green For Danger.
4.00 Pay Dirt.	4.00 —
4.30 Panama Jack.	4.30 Cedesa.
5.00 Gold Minories.	5.00 —

By Michael Seely

2.30 Ashraf Dancer. 3.00 Canon Law.

Going: good — **Draw: low numbers best**

2.30 EBF ALLOWAY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,325: 5f) (4 runners)

1	(3)	0	ASHRAF DANCER 19 (S Suhail) B Hanbury 8-9	M Hills	—
2	(2)	33	CHORAL WORK 27 (BF) (Mrs S Simpson) K Brassey 8-9	W Newnes	● 99
4	(1)	0	DREAM OF HANNAH 11 (M Knopp) M McCormack 8-9	C Rutter	84
6	(4)	0	OLIVERS MAID 13 (T Ramsden) A Bailey 8-9	P Bloomfield	—

BETTING: 5-4 Choral Work, 7-4 Ashraf Dancer, 7-2 Dream Of Hannah, 8-1 Olivers Maid.

1986: UPSET 8-11 D McKeown (7-4) J S Wilson 4 ran

3.0 STRATHCLYDE STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,700: 6f) (2 runners)

1	(2)	2131	CANON LAW 31 (C,F,G) (P Muldoon) M H Easterby 9-0	M Birch	● 99
4	(1)	311230	LAC D'AZUR 14 (F) (S Alkhalifa) M McCormack 8-11	W Newnes	96

BETTING: 4-7 Canon Law, 11-10 Lac d'Azur.

1986: CHIME TIME 9-3 M Birch (4-9 fav) C Tinkler 5 ran

3.30 SOUTER JOHNIE HANDICAP (£2,637: 1m) (8 runners)

1	(4)	3-01293	SIGNORE ODONE 19 (D,F) (B Shaw) M H Easterby 5-9-10	M Birch		95
6	(3)	400324	LADY LA PAZ 2 (B,D,G,S) (Full Circle Thoroughbreds) N Tinkler 4-8-10	Kim Tinkler		97
7	(6)	20-3012	GREEN FOR DANGER 13 (S) (A Sheach) J Hindley 4-8-9	M Hills		97
11	(5)	000103	MERRY MEASURE 20 (CD,F,G,S) (J Allison) R Allan 5-8-0	P Hill (7)		98
12	(8)	00-0340	UP THE LADDER 32 (T Ramsden) A Bailey 3-7-11	L Riggio (7)	●	99
14	(1)	040302	QUALITAIRESS 4 (V,D,G,S) (P Bottomley) K Stone 5-7-7	P Burke (7)		96
15	(2)	2-00234	LITTLE NEWINGTON 19 (B,CD,S) (Capes Management) N Bycroft 6-7-7	J Lowe		90
16	(7)	000020	SYLVAN ORIENT 4 (V,BF) (Mrs R Johnson) P Mitchell 3-7-7	C Rutter		98

BETTING: 3-1 Green For Danger, 7-2 Signore Odone, 9-2 Lady La Paz, 11-2 Qualitairess, 7-1 Sylvan Orient, Up The Ladder, 10-1 Little Newington, Merry Measure.

1986: SIR WILMORE 4-8-7 E Guest (5-1) E Weymes 7 ran

**4.0 BUTE SELLING HANDICAP (£850: 1m 2f)

SUMMER OF SPORT

Day at Lord's is the prize

The Times today presents an opportunity to win a pair of seats for the great cricket event of the year, the MCC Bicentenary match between MCC and the Rest of the World.

The winner of our free competitition — part of our Summer of Sport series — will win a day out, with a companion, at Lord's on Saturday, August 22, to watch the third day of the gala match between the MCC team, led by Mike Gatting and including Malcolm Marshall and Richard Hadlee, against the international XI, captained by Allan Border and including Viv Richards, Imran Khan and Sunil Gavaskar.

It will be a first-class day all the way. We will arrange transport from home to Lord's for the successful pair; then, after the day's play, they will go on to the Regent Crest Hotel in the West End for overnight accommodation before returning home on the Sunday.

To enter, study the five questions below, write your answers on the entry form, complete the other details, and send it to us. The sender of the first correct entry to be opened after the closing date, next Monday, will receive the prize.

Here are the questions:

Q1: Name the only batsman to hit a ball over the present Lord's pavilion.

Q2: Which England cricketer was forbidden to use a blue bat at Lord's in 1973?

Q3: Who is the only British prime minister to have played first-class cricket?

Q4: Before the present series how many Test matches had Pakistan won in England?

Q5: In which city is the final of this year's World cup due to be played?

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ANSWERS

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Send your entry to:
MCC Bicentenary competition,
Sports Department,
The Times,
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London E1 9XN.

The closing date for entries is Monday, July 27. No correspondence will be entered into. The Sports Editor's decision is final. Employees of News International plc are not eligible to enter.

NEXT TUESDAY: A chance to win a trip for two to the McVitie's international athletics meeting at Crystal Palace on Sunday, September 13.

MOTOR RACING

Prost enlists for two more seasons

Alain Prost, the Formula One world champion for the last two seasons, has signed a contract for the 1988 and 1989 seasons with the Woking-based Marlboro McLaren Tag Turbo team.

Prost said: "It goes without saying that I am delighted to be able to remain with Marlboro McLaren, and I look forward to 1988 and 1989 with renewed enthusiasm.

"I feel that the new regulations offer great scope for future technical innovation, and my signing of a two-year McLaren contract is reflective of my faith in the team's abilities."

Ron Dennis, the managing director of McLaren International, said: "Alain's decision to stay with the team is obviously very pleasing. Having now made a long-term commitment to us, Alain is in a very strong position to concentrate on the 1987 world drivers' championship title."

GOLF: NICK FALDO'S ADVISERS ARE ALREADY AT WORK TO MAKE HIM A WEALTHY MAN AFTER HIS SUCCESS AT MUIRFIELD

The making and the marketing of a new Open Champion

By Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent

The first day in the new life of Nick Faldo began with a morning Press conference, after only two hours 20 minutes sleep, followed by a dash to Edinburgh Airport and a round at Sunningdale in the PGA European Tour Benevolent Trust golf day, supported by the Ritz Club.

Only then could Faldo admit to a mistake he had made after a week in which he climbed, for the second time in his career, from obscurity to global acclaim.

To make life easier he had, three weeks earlier, driven to the airport at Edinburgh, then flown to Dublin for the Irish Open and returned for two weeks in Scotland, culminating with the 116th Open Championship. Now a chauffeur had to be hired to drive the Mercedes back to his home on the Wentworth estate in Surrey.

It was the kind of problem that Faldo, naturally enough, did not mind having. Anyway, there were two executives and two secretaries from the International Management Group on hand at the Marine Hotel, North Berwick, to smooth the way and start the natural business process that will turn Faldo into a multi-millionaire.

Faldo, aged 30 last Saturday, will be relieved of all financial burdens for the rest of his life following his success at Muirfield, where, with a last round of 71, he won the Open with a five-under-par aggregate of 279. Victory was worth £75,000 but John Simpson and David Barlow, two executives from Mark McCormack's IMG agency, were looking far beyond that sum as they began plotting the marketing of Faldo.

Simpson spoke in terms of £1 million "not being a problem", but that seemed astonishingly conservative considering that only two years ago he had masterminded the selling of Sandy Lyle after his Open Championship triumph. Lyle is estimated to have benefited by £3 million, while Greg Norman, last year's champion who also is managed by IMG, signed contracts worth £10 million during his reign.

Moreover, Simpson has never been better prepared for a client. From the moment, in 1978, that Faldo won the first of his three PGA Championships in four years, he has geared himself to the fact that one day he would win the Open.

For Faldo, of course, it has been an ambition since that moment in 1971 when, after watching Jack Nicklaus on television challenge for the United States Masters, he became mesmerized by golf and his parents took him along to the local Welwyn Garden City club, where they purchased his first set of clubs at the regal price of £35.

His progress was swift as he won nine amateur titles in 1975, including the English championship. He turned professional the following year with the pedigree to become a master in his new world.

Faldo climbed to No. 1 in the Order of Merit. He became a regular in the Ryder Cup team. He conquered the United States with his win in the Sea Pines Heritage Classic in April 1984, and when he returned one month later to win again in England it seemed that an Open Championship was just around the corner.

Then the months began to pass by without Faldo winning. Those months turned to years and as Bernhard Langer (US Masters) and Lyle emerged to follow in Severiano Ballesteros's footsteps by winning major championships, so Faldo lost star billing.

"I went into a slide, the biggest of my career, and as the pressure built up things went from bad to worse," he said. "I began this season back in Europe, having lost my playing privileges on the US Tour, and I started out with the aim of retaining my Ryder Cup place. The Open Championship, of course, was on my mind but I was looking for a win before that."

It happened at the Spanish Open in May when Faldo finally ended three years without a success. "It was a major turning point," he admitted. "I was so relieved to have won again. The Open, however, is something completely different. It's the goal every golfer sets himself. We know that very few can make it. Then, if that's the case, you sit back at the end of the day and say that you failed. I didn't want to have to do that.

"It had gone through my mind. But with the new swing and the win in Spain came a new confidence. I've always enjoyed meeting with the demands the golf course creates and I thought I handled Muirfield as well as it is possible to do.

"I was nervous, of course, over those last few holes. It's almost like you've been in a car crash. You get that hot and cold sensation. I knew during that last hour that one mistake could ruin everything. All I keep thinking about is that five-iron to the last green. It really was a super shot to end a super day."

Call for Open improvements

Acting on a suggestion from one of the the joint runners-up, Paul Azinger, the Open Championship committee has considered holding qualifying competitions for the event in the United States. "The difficulty is finding the right time and place and how many spots to allocate," the chairman of the committee, Alistair Low, said.

The committee also considered the possibility of two-tee starts, as suggested by Greg Norman, but felt this would not save much time.



Taste of success: Natalie samples the Open trophy as Nick and Gill Faldo take a back seat

The lady behind Faldo has learned how to be patient

By Mitchell Platts

Gill, Nick Faldo's second wife, allowed her mind to wander back to the 1984 United States Masters, in which he had forfeited the chance of a famous win.

"It upset me," she said. "I expected so much. When we got back to the hotel, I sat down on the bed and said to Nick: 'I think I'm going to cry.' I didn't think then that I'd be very good at golf."

She was wrong. Gill has been a tower of strength. That day, she learned the importance of being patient in a game in which nothing is decided until the last putt drops.

"I didn't get nervous at Muirfield," she said. "I just waited for it all to happen. I said all along — even in the darkest days — that Nick could do it. He's so determined. He's so dedicated. He's a real professional.

"He puts an awful lot of time into golf and I knew that, one day, it would pay off. He felt he should have won the Open earlier in his career and maybe that frustrated him."

As Gill Bennett, an airline pilot's daughter, she had little knowledge of golf until she went to Australia in 1981.

"I went for a two-month holiday and stayed for two years," she said. "I knew Michael Parkinson, who was doing his television chat shows down under, and he introduced me to the International Management Group, who look after his business affairs.

"I took a secretarial job with them in Sydney. When I returned to London, I joined IMG there. John Simpson, who looks after Nick's business interests, asked me to be his secretary. That's how I met Nick."

It was difficult at the beginning. Faldo, then married to Melanie Rockall, a journalist, was a rising star and his relationship with Gill became front-page news in the tabloids.

"For me, it was frustrating not being able to defend ourselves against the gossip Press," Gill said. "I knew it wasn't like what was being written, but I had to bite my tongue. I tried to shelter Nick from it the best I could."

In their private life, Gill learned how to react when Faldo came under severe pressure because of his game.

"At one tournament in Pebble Beach, where he had reached rock-bottom, we returned to the hotel after Nick had missed the half-way cut and I decided to go out for a walk," she recalled.

"You run out of things to say. You can't keep repeating: 'Oh, it'll be all right next week!' That wears a bit thin. In the end, I had disappeared longer than Nick thought I would, and he started to worry about me rather than his golf."

They married at the start of last year and now have a 10-month-old daughter, Natalie. The fact that Sandy Lyle has separated from his wife, Christine, because of the pressures of international golf is something of which Gill Faldo is well aware.

But she says: "I don't know that the Open cost Sandy and Chrissy their marriage. You can't blame that. For me, it's important that Nick and I organize our life together.

"We must be in control, rather than allowing other people to control us. My days at IMG have helped. I can handle everything of a business nature from home, and I can also help them in the office.

"Of course, I'd never dream of telling Nick what tournaments in which to play. He knows how to pace himself. I'll leave that to him, though we'll obviously discuss it."

Gill is now hoping for a lesson from the Open champion.

"He bought me a set of clubs a couple of years ago, but I've never used them," she added. "However, we have a Tour wives' tournament coming up at the Lawrence Batley international next month, so I reckon Nick will have to give me a few quick lessons."

Sad end to a glorious event

By David Miller

The legend of Muirfield — simultaneously enchanting and frightening — was compounded by an Open Championship that demanded every imaginable resource and unlimited nerve from the participants.

On a misty, ghostly evening, long after Nick Faldo had been borne away into the arms of history, I walked to a now almost deserted car park with that eerie feeling of being alone in an empty theatre where, a few hours before, performers and audience alike had been emotionally drained by a great drama.

Yet there was, regrettably, nothing particularly honourable about the Royal and Ancient's prize-giving ceremony in front of the Company of Edinburgh Golfers' famous clubhouse.

The conclusion of the 1987 tournament, following one of the most dramatic finishes ever between Faldo and Paul Azinger, contrived unintentionally to be offensive to many of the vast army of spectators, whose presence — and patience — during four days of appalling weather had helped to make the occasion so memorable.

The stage management of the presentation was undesirably clumsy — even to some members of the golfing establishment who are sensitive to the more modern era in which we exist.

It should be understood by the Royal and Ancient that the Championship belongs not to them, but to the players and public who create its special character. The Royal and Ancient are trustees endowed with responsibility by the privilege they enjoy. *Noblesse oblige.*

The presentation to the winner and runner-up should be properly public and not partially hidden from the view of many, conveniently close to the clubhouse windows for private members and obscured by photographers.

The moment should be grand, not primly genteel. The glory belongs to the winner, the runner-up and to the people who have followed their duel. It certainly does not — at least, for several minutes — belong to some ingratiating television commentator.

It is a matter of only simple organization to lay protective duckboards — on which tables may be placed and players may stand — on the final green in full view of the crowd.

This is not to advocate any loss of dignity. The championship does not require a lap of honour up the 18th fairway, the excesses of football or the boxing ring — just a ceremony worthy of the British crowd and not the untidy, old-fashioned scuffle we had on Sunday.

Lyle's advice

Sandy Lyle offered Nick Faldo a little advice on what he can expect during his reign as champion of the Open Lyle, the winner in 1985, said: "Nick is going to have a hectic time. He will need to make firm plans to have time to himself. His professional and private life will be examined. If he has a poor round, it will be given the full wave of publicity. He will constantly need to be on his best behaviour."

Road to the crown paved with awards

By A Special Correspondent

Success is nothing new to Nick Faldo. The player, aged 30, from Welwyn Garden City, has been winning championships for 12 years. A year before that, he represented his country as a schoolboy international.

In 1975 — as an amateur — Faldo won his county championship in Hertfordshire, the Berkshire Trophy, and the prestigious Scrutton Jug. He was also County Champion of Champions.

His first taste of competition overseas also came in 1975 — when he won the South African Golf Union Special Stroke Championship. He was a member of the Great Britain Commonwealth team and a senior England international.

Encouraged by such amateur successes, he decided to turn professional in 1976. His first title as a professional was the Skol Lager International in 1977. At the end of that year, he was honoured with the "Rookie of the Year" title, which is awarded each year to the best British newcomer by Henry Cotton.

In 1978, Faldo took the Colgate PGA championship and, in 1980 and 1981, he repeated the feat. But 1983 has been his best year to date. He won five titles on the PGA European Tour — the best performance by a British golfer in one season since Bernard Hunt achieved it in 1963.

Faldo also has the distinction of having won the Golf Writers' Association Trophy — awarded to the man who, in the opinion of golf writers, has done the most for the sport during the year. This was also in 1983 — as was Faldo's receiving of the Harry Vardon Trophy, which is awarded automatically to the PGA member heading the Order of Merit at the end of the season.

His 279 total to take the Open on Sunday, incidentally, was an improvement of five strokes on his performance at Muirfield seven years ago.

SHOOTING

Extra shoot-out is required

By Our Shooting Correspondent

Several of Britain's top marksmen will be involved in a long shoot-out for *The Times* Challenge Cup on Thursday evening, after the first tie-break failed to produce a winner in the original match at Bisley yesterday.

Despite the rain that has produced uncomfortable conditions for the 1,300 marksmen since major target-rifle events started at the weekend, there were still 58 people who found the bull's-eye with each of their 10 shots at 300 yards.

This is not unusual and the rules provide for an instant tie-break, but 13 of them again had perfect scores to stay level.

They include Simon Belither, of the Uppingham Veterans' RC, who won the trophy in a marathon sudden-death finish two years ago, John Bellringer, of the Old Epsomians, who is an international at 300m, and John Bloomfield, the 1985 Queen's prize-winner and Commonwealth Games marksman.

Ties seem to be the order of the day with the result that the leader board for the Grand Aggregate, the overall championship of the meeting, which continues until Thursday, looks distinctly overcrowded.

Seven competitors share the lead, with only three points dropped in the first four events, including Alain Marion, of Quebec, Canada, twice a winner of the Queen's Prize. Peter Bromley, aged 23, the Kent farmer who won the Canadian Grand Aggregate in 1984, and the Norfolk competitor, Glyn Barnett, aged 16, of Gresham School.

Barnett, who was in several tie-break re-shoots last year, has shown such consistency that he won the Saturday Aggregate Challenge trophy with 148 out of 150, beating two others on countback after they had tied.

The smallest tie-break to come will be between last year's Queen's Prize winner, Geoffrey Cox, of the RAF target-rifle club, and Bob Hassell, also a former RAF officer, who both scored 50, then 25, in the Duke of Cambridge Cup event at 900 yards.

RESULTS: Times Challenge Cup (300yd): Tie between: R B C Baker (OCRA); S Belither (Uppingham Veterans); J E M Bellringer (Old Epsomians); J P S Bloomfield (North London); G A Cann (Devon); N Cole-Hawkins (Twickenham); C W A Cunningham (OCRA); D Garland (Pickering); R R Gnsenthwaite (Cambridge Univ); S/Sgt L M Kamau (Kenya); P G Kent (Old Epsomians); D H Le Vesconte (Jersey); W C P Richards (Marlburians), all 50/25. **Alexandra Cup** (600yd): 17 tied with 50/25. **Duke of Cambridge Cup** (900yd): Tie between: G Cox (RAFTRC) and R S Hassell (City RC), both 50/25.3, J D Warburton (Huddersfield), 50/24. **Saturday aggregate:** 1, J F Jackman (Old Johnians) 149; 2, R B C Baker (OCRA) 149; 3, A St G Tucker (Twickenham) 149 (on count back). **Sunday aggregate:** 1, G C D Barnett (Gresham), 148; 2, D B Lumby (Aircar), 148; 3, P B Bromley (Ashford) 148 (on countback).

RUGBY UNION

Nations are flocking to join FIRA

By Chris Thau

The World Cup has obviously fired the imagination of the sport's smaller nations, who are flocking to join the French-based Fédération Internationale De Rugby Amateur.

Seven countries from several continents — Chile, Paraguay, Western Samoa, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Barbados and the Solomon Islands — signed up as full members at the weekend's Lisbon Congress, bringing FIRA's total membership to 35 nations, the world's largest Rugby Union body.

Eight African nations — Zimbabwe, Mauritania, Guinea, Nigeria, Cameroon, Gabon, Kenya and Sierre Leone, members of the recently formed Confédération Africane de Rugby Amateur — have been accepted as associate members of FIRA, who already have four African members — Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria and the Ivory Coast.

Argentina, who won the under-19 FIRA tournament in West Berlin in April, have also been accepted as associate members of the federation and the Rugby Football Union have sent an observer to West Berlin to look into the possibility of also joining the tournament.

BILLIARDS

An Indian summer for Belfast

The holder, Geet Sethi, and the 1983 runner-up, Subash Agrawal, are expected to contest the final of the world amateur championship, which starts at the Park Avenue hotel in Belfast today.

Sethi, aged 26, won the title for the first time by defeating the Australian veteran, Robert Marshall, in the 1985 final, staged on home territory at the Taj Palace hotel in Delhi.

Marshall is a non-starter in Belfast, and another Indian, Michael Ferreira, the winner in 1977, 1981 and 1983 and beaten by Sethi in the 1985 semi-final, has turned professional.

The 18-strong field has been split into two groups of nine but Sethi and Agrawal stand head and shoulders above the rest. It would be a very great surprise if the two Indians did not contest the final, to be played on August 2 and 3.

Sethi became the youngest world amateur champion by beating Marshall by 3,809 to 2,453 in Delhi. English hopes rest with Peter Gilchrist, aged 20, from Middlesbrough, and Terry Ward. Gilchrist could reach the semi-finals, which is the target for the Welsh champion, David Edwards.

COMPETITORS: *Group A:* Geet Sethi (India), D Edwards (Wales), B Kirkness (NZ), M Spoormans (Bel), D Elliott (N Ire), R Brennan (Rep of Ire), T Ward (Eng), D Collins (Aus), J McIntyre (N Ire). *Group B:* Subash Agrawal (India), J Grech (Malta), J Millenn (Aus), T Martin (Rep of Ire), M de Sutter (Bel), P Gilchrist (Eng), D Meredith (NZ), S Mcclarey (N Ire), W Kelly (Scot).

FOOTBALL

Lineker hungry for tussle

Gary Lineker has been confirmed as a member of the Rest of the World squad to face the Football League in the Mercantile Credit Classic at Wembley on August 8.

The £2 million Everton export to Barcelona is looking forward to facing many of his England international team colleagues, but admits: "It's going to be a shade tense out there."

Lineker pledges that none of the players will treat the match like an exhibition. "Try telling that to any of the lads who have international reputations to protect. With a packed house at Wembley and countless millions watching on television throughout the world, pride in your performance will make the players give everything. We all want to put on a show to remember."

Terry Venables, the Rest of the World manager, will announce the remainder of his squad in London next week.

● **Merthyr Tydfil**, the Wales Cup winners and European minnows, are asking for Government aid to relieve a financial crisis as they prepare to entertain Atalanta, the Italians, in the Cup Winners' Cup.

They want a grant to finance ground improvements at Penydarren Park before September, costing £150,000. They have already borrowed £80,000, but Mid-Glamorgan County Council has refused their further appeal, and Peter Walker, the Secretary of State for Wales, is their last hope.

Merthyr have trebled admission prices for the match and expect to take gate receipts in excess of £50,000. The club's directors have fixed a £5.50 entry fee for the expected 10,000 capacity; stand seats will cost £12.

● **Aston Villa** signed Alan McInally, the Celtic forward, for £225,000, the fourth acquisition since Graham Taylor became manager. Taylor completed the deal with his Villa Park predecessor, Billy McNeill, now in charge at Celtic Park, two years after he first attempted to sign McInally for Watford. McInally scored 17 goals last season to follow Mo Johnston and Brian McClair away from the Scottish club.

● **Terry Gibson**, Manchester United's unsettled forward, is expected to complete a move to Wimbledon. Gibson is not included in the 17-man tour of Scandinavia today. United value the player at £300,000, and while Wimbledon have offered only £200,000, an increased bid is likely. Bobby Gould, the Wimbledon manager, had talks with Eric Young, the Brighton defender, for whom Wimbledon are prepared to pay £60,000.

● **Maurice Evans**, the Oxford United manager, has agreed a fee of £135,000 for Gary Shelton with Sheffield Wednesday and hopes to agree terms with the player before the two-week tour to Sweden that begins on Thursday. Another Wednesday defender, Mark Smith, has agreed a two-year contract with Plymouth Argyle.

● **Southend** have agreed terms, believed to be in the region of £25,000, for Martin Robinson, the Gillingham forward.

OLYMPIC GAMES

North-South divide still bedevils Seoul

Seoul (AFP) — North and South Korea have made no progress in their dispute over hosting the 1988 Summer Olympic during talks in Switzerland because Pyongyang had hardened its position, Kim Chong-Ha, the president of the South Korean Olympic Committee, said.

Kim said that North Korea demanded that the Seoul Olympics be hosted jointly by Seoul and Pyongyang. The North Koreans also wanted to host eight of the 23 sports.

At the talks, Juan Antonio Samaranch, the president of the International Olympic Committee, made a new proposal to the North Koreans which offered them women's volleyball, archery, table tennis, a men's cycling race and a preliminary round in the football tournament.

POOLS FORECAST by Paul Newman

Saturday July 25

VICTORIA STATE LEAGUE

2 Nthcote v Maribyrnong
1 St Albans v Caulfield
X S Oakleigh v Box Hill

VICTORIA FIRST DIVISION

1 Bulleen v Doncaster
1 Knox City v Altona G
1 N Dndnong v Melbrne
1 Sunbury v Essendon

VICTORIA SECOND DIVISION

1 Dndnong C v Westgate
2 Hamlyn v Clifton Hill
1 N Geelong v Doveton
X Prahran C v Mrlbank
1 Ringwood U v Eltham
1 Sandringhm v Mornington
1 Waverley v Altona C

VICTORIA THIRD DIVISION

X Bell Park v Moorabbin
2 Fernlree v Pt Melbrne
1 Keilor v Moreland Pk
1 Springvale v Corio
1 W Brunswick v Clarinda
1 Yallourn v Rosanna
V Yarraville v Geelong

VICTORIA FOURTH DIVISION

1 Boronia v Coburg
X E Bmswck v Diamond V
X Karingal v Hawthorn
1 Pascoe V v Holland Pk
X Prahran v Langwarrin
2 Seaford U v Lalor
1 Wilkinstwn v Keysboro

WEST AUSTRALIA STATE LEAGUE

X Azzurri v Stirling M
1 E Fremantle v Kingsway
1 Gosnells v Balga
2 Osborne Pk v Athena
1 Spearwood v Cockburn

WEST AUSTRALIA SECOND DIVISION

1 Balcatta v Forrestfld
2 Kwinana v Fremantle B
X Melville v E Perth
1 N Perth v Kelmscott
2 Subiaco v Bassendean
2 Swan A v Sorrento

WEST AUSTRALIA THIRD DIVISION

1 Armadale Pk v Western
2 Booragoon v Queens Pk
2 Dianella v Morley
1 Ferndale v Wanneroo
X Perth C v Swan Cr
1 University v Rockingham

SOUTH AUSTRALIA FIRST DIVISION

2 Azzurri v Croatia
2 Lion-G v Hellas
X Para Hills v Campbltwn
X Polonia v Woodville
1 Salisbury v Central D
1 W Torrens v Cumberland

SOUTH AUSTRALIA SECOND DIVISION

2 Brighton C v Blackwood
X Elizabeth v Adelaide C
X Enfield v Noarlunga
1 Modbury v Pt Adelaide
1 Seaford v Thebarton

QUEENSLAND THIRD DIVISION

1 Kingsridge v Capalaba
1 Oxley v Souths

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): S Oakleigh, Prahran C, E Brunswick, Karingal, Prahran, Azzurri (W Australia), Melville, Perth C, Para Hills, Polonia, Elizabeth, Enfield.
BEST DRAWS: S Oakleigh, E Brunswick, Karingal, Para Hills, Elizabeth, Enfield.
AWAYS: Maribyrnong, Clifton Hill, Athena, Fremantle B, Sorrento, Morley, Croatia, Hellas.
HOMES: Bulleen, N Dandenong, N Geelong, Sandringham, Springvale, Spearwood, Balcatta, N Perth, Ferndale, Salisbury, Modbury, Seaford.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Britannic Assurance County Championship
11.0, 102 overs minimum
SOUTHEND: Essex v Derbyshire.
CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Surrey.
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire.
LORD'S: Middlesex v Nottinghamshire.
TAUNTON: Somerset v Leicestershire.
HASTINGS: Sussex v Yorkshire.
BAIN DAWES TROPHY: Leigh-on-Sea: Essex v Hampshire: **Bedford:** Northamptonshire v Yorkshire: **Trent Bridge:** Nottinghamshire v Lancashire.
MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Western division: Torquay: Devon v Berkshire; **Wellington:** Shropshire v Dorset. **Trowbridge:** Wiltshire v Somerset II.

CRICKET: FESTIVAL: Windsor (at Home park).

OTHER SPORT

BILLIARDS: World amateur championships (at Belfast).

BOWLS: Representative match: Eastern Counties v Suffolk (at St Edmundsbury).

EQUESTRIANISM: Royal Welsh show (at Builth Wells).

GLIDING: Standard-class nationals (at Booker airfield).

GOLF: Lord Derby Knowsley Safari Park tournament (at Chorley); Dunhill Amateur masters: Regional final (at The Cambridgeshire).

SHOOTING: NRA Prize meeting (at Bisley).

SPEEDWAY: World team Cup: First round (at Coventry). **National League** (7.30): Milton Keynes v Stoke; Poole v Glasgow.

TENNIS: Prudential County Cup: First division (at Eastbourne).

YACHTING: National Enterprises championship (at Abersoch).

SPORT ON TV

CYCLING: Tour de France 1987: Stage 20, Villard-de-Lans to L'Alpe d'Huez. **Ch:** (5.30 p.m.

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CRICKET: QADIR STILL STRUGGLING TO FIND TOUCH AS FOURTH WICKET PARTNERSHIP PUTS ON UNBEATEN 214

D'Oliveira century rewarding tonic for patient crowd

By Chris Moore

WORCESTER: Match drawn. Damian D'Oliveira and Phil Neale resurrected Worcestershire's game against the Pakistani touring team with an unbeaten double-century partnership at New Road yesterday.

With more than nine hours lost to the weather over the first two days, Pakistan's final warm-up match before Thursday's fourth Test with England at Edgbaston was in danger of dying on its feet in mid-afternoon after Worcestershire had laboured to 100 for three off 54 overs.

But the county's fourth-wicket pair, who came together in the sixth over after lunch, added 214 from the next 56 overs to reward the patience of the previously despondent crowd.

D'Oliveira completed a chanceless century, his second of the season, in 184 minutes with two sixes and 13 fours, and was unbeaten with 131 when the two captains finally agreed a halt with 13 overs still remaining. By then Worcestershire had advanced to 275 for three in reply to Pakistan's first innings total of 304 for one declared.

Neale finished with 69 not out, having taken 164 minutes to compile his second half-century of the season. It included only 18 scoring shots off 134 balls, 11 of which were boundaries. In contrast, D'Oliveira, once into his stride, produced a full range of attacking strokes, including three sixes off Abdul Qadir.

The Pakistani leg spinner, of whom much was expected on this tour, finished with figures of 0-75 from 28 overs, which leaves him with the unflattering tour analysis of nine wickets for 440 runs.

Yet for much of the first two sessions yesterday, after rain had caused the loss of a further 30 minutes at the start, there was little evidence of either side injecting any urgency into the proceedings.

Imran Khan, having his first competitive bowl for two weeks, worked up a full head of steam early on. But having sent back Gordon Lord, the opener, for six in his sixth over, the Pakistan captain came off with figures of 1-8 in 7.3 overs, apparently satisfied he was still in prime condition.

The deteriorating light under darkening skies, which hung over New Road all day, may well have influenced Imran's decision not to return to the attack until mid-afternoon. But even then it was only for another four-over stint off his short run.

Of the other bowlers, Mudassar posed the most problems.

PAKISTAN: First Innings 304 for 1 dec (Mansoor Akhtar 169 not, Shoaib Mohammad 121 not).

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings
T S Curtis lbw b Mudassar Nazar 35
G J Lord c Salim Malik b Imran Khan .. 6
G A Hick b Mudassar Nazar 11
D B D'Oliveira not out 131
*P A Neale not out 69
Extras (b 5, lb 7, w 6, nb 5) 23
Total (3 wkts) 275
†S J Rhodes, P J Newport, R K Illingworth, R M Ellcock, G R Dilley and A P Pridgeon did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-54, 3-61.
BOWLING: Imran Khan 15-5-29-1; Wasim Akram 15-4-47-0, Mudassar Nazar 13-5-21-2; Abdul Qadir 28-7-75-0; Zakir Khan 12-1-51-0; Shoaib Mohammad 5-0-33-0; Ijaz Ahmed 2-0-7-0.
Umpires: M J Kitchen and D S Thompsett.

Daily dose of fine gems from the past

By Marcus Williams

Six years ago today, the nation's spirits were raised to peaks of joy. It was Headingley, 1981, when Botham, Brearley, Willis and eight other heroes achieved that incredible, unforgettable, 500 for one victory over Australia after England had been forced to follow on 227 runs behind.

On July 21, 1934, however, Australia were rubbing England's noses in the same ground, scoring 455 runs in the day for the loss of only one wicket (Bradman, 271 not out, on the way to his second successive Test triple century at Headingley).

The source of these calendrical gems – not to mention that July 21, 1863, saw the birth of Sir Charles Aubrey Smith (Cambridge University, Sussex, England and Hollywood) and July 21, 1945, of Barry Richards, arguably the most gifted batsman of recent times – is the newly-published *Cricket Through The Year* (The Book Guild, £12.50), compiled by Chris Walmsley.

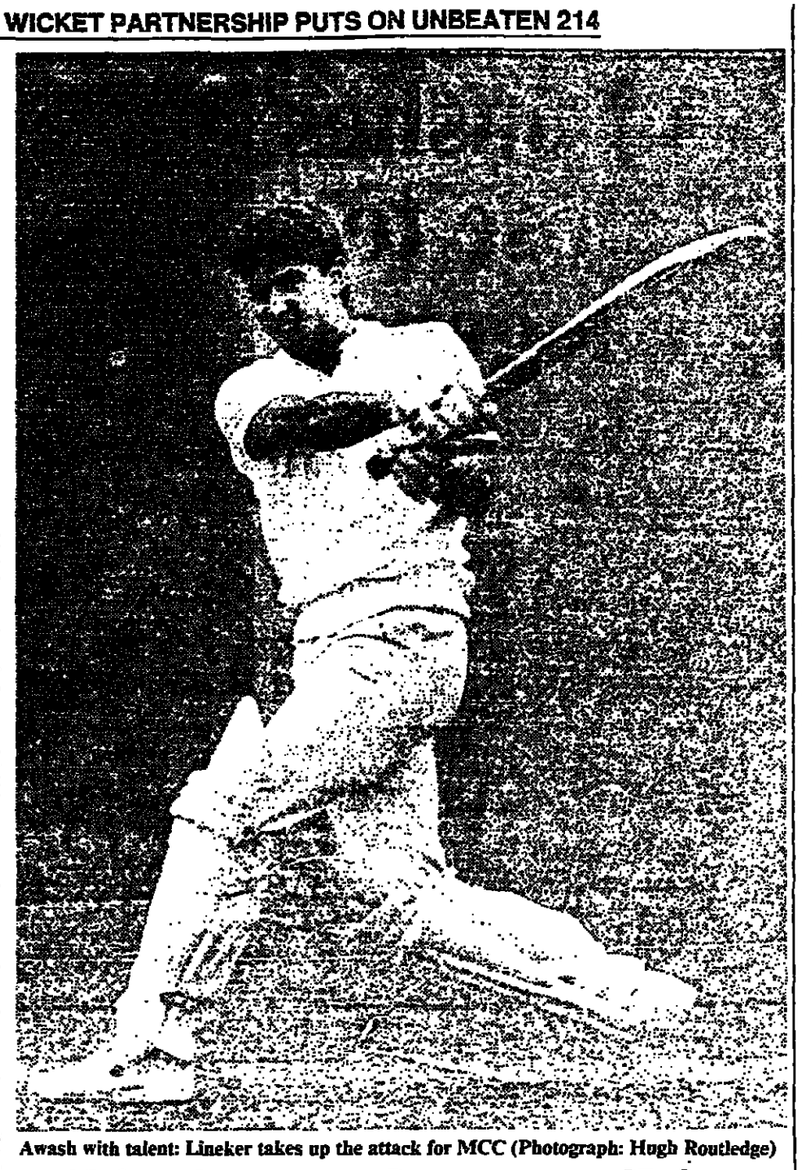
In an ideal 'dipper-in', Mr Walmsley offers an interesting historical and statistical potpourri for each day of the calendar year: a comprehensive index of names compensates for several editorial eccentricities.

It is disappointing, too, to find reproduced the canard that Grace, Sobers and Lillee were all born on the same day, July 18. Sobers, it is now firmly established, arrived in the world 10 days later.

One of the book's final entries records the death of Percy Fender on June 16, 1985. The great deeds of his charismatic life and career were chronicled by Richard Streeton in *P. G. H. Fender: A Biography*, which has now reappeared in the Pavilion Library series (£12.95 hardback, £6.95 paperback).

In the Australian soap opera, *Bodyline*, broadcast during the final fortnight of Fender's life – though he was unaware of it – he was grossly misrepresented as a monocled playboy and ukelele player. Now, Mr Streeton, in a touching new introduction, is able to put on record that it was "a diabolical distortion".

Five other cricket classics have been reissued in the growing Pavilion Library – *Lord's 1787-1945* by Sir Pelham Warner; *Lord's 1946-1970* by *Diana Rait Kerr* and *Ian Peebles*; *In Celebration of Cricket* edited by Kenneth Gregory; *Bowler's Turn* by Ian Peebles; and *The Best Loved Game* by Geoffrey Moorhouse – and under the main Pavilion imprint are *Cricket Mercenaries* (£10.95), a detailed and well-researched study of overseas players in English cricket by David Lemmon, and a revised edition of *Archie Jackson* (£10.95) by David Frith, a biography of the Australian prodigy who died of tuberculosis, aged 23.



Awash with talent: Lineker takes up the attack for MCC (Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

Lineker makes a striking move to a new ball game

Simon Barnes

There are certain people who make you want to throw up. People who seem to have made it their life-work to prove that life just isn't fair. I mean, you can accept that most people are reasonably good at one thing. Their job, say. And it is not altogether beyond endurance if someone is *fairly* good at something else: his hobby. Such people are good and admirable, if a little irritating.

But when people cheerily turn to some third pursuit, and show a considerable ability at that, and force you to realise the talents were never intended to be handed out on a wholly democratic basis, then you really do begin to feel less than pleased with life.

Gary Lineker is, I think we can accept, rather good at his job, which is scoring goals in football. He it was that scored more goals than anyone else in the World Cup and, had it not been for the hand of Maradona and the blindness of the linesman, he might of carried England to greater and dizzier glories than those they achieved. His form throughout the tournament was a delight.

It was just about tolerable to learn that he is also a pretty useful snooker player, one who makes century breaks. This is a fiendishly difficult achievement, but we can grit our teeth and accept that a man is permitted to excel at his hobby.

But this summer, Lineker has gone altogether too far. He has been playing cricket. For one match, for Gower's XI – this is David Gower's benefit year – he turned out against Maidenhead and Bray. Gower was out for one. Lineker was out for 109.

Lineker bats a bit, and also keeps wicket. He has always complained that being an international superstar, it is hard to get to play cricket at any decent level. You cannot expect a proper club side to welcome you for half a dozen games a season. So how about, someone suggested, playing for MCC?

This was a pretty bold step. He applied for probationary playing membership of MCC, and to this end, he has played in five matches against school sides. His application will come before the relevant committee in due course.

The committee will note that Lineker has not done too badly. *He had a top score of 67, another* knock of 44, an average 39.75 in his five matches. He played one more match, a game for Gower's XI, and this time made six. This was because he walked for a *caught-behind which the umpire did* not give. All in all, it seems to me quite disgraceful that one person should be so talented at so many different things, and still be a totally decent chap. I wonder how on earth he manages it. I am sure the MCC committee will soon be saying: "The boy Lineker done magnificent."

England's tour a marathon

England's cricketers face four Test matches in only five weeks *in two countries on the second* leg of their winter tour marathon. After the autumn World Cup in India and Pakistan and the Test series in Pakistan, England go to Australasia after spending Christmas at home.

There are a couple of warm-up games in New Zealand before the Australian Bicentennial Test in Sydney. Then Mike Gatting's side will return to New Zealand for three Tests and four one-day internationals. The first Test is at Christchurch where, three years ago, Bob Willis's team were twice bowled out for *fewer than 100 and lost by an* innings.

The itinerary for the tour to Pakistan in November and December has not yet been finalized.

FIXTURES: Jan 18-20: v Wellington. Jan 23-25: v Northern District (Hamilton). Jan 29-Feb 2: Australian Bicentenary Test (Sydney). Feb 4: One-day international (Melbourne). Feb 7-9: v Shell New Zealand XI (New Plymouth). Feb 12-17: First Test (Christchurch). Feb 19-21: v *President's XI* (Dunedin). Feb 25-29: Second Test (Auckland). Mar 3-7: Third Test (Wellington). Mar 8: One-day international (Dunedin). Mar 12: One-day international (Christchurch). Mar 16: One-day international (Napier). Mar 19: One-day international (Auckland).

Run race today if weather allows

By Ivo Tennant

BRISTOL: Gloucestershire have scored 307 for nine wickets against Northamptonshire.

Having gone to the head of the championship table on Saturday by dint of taking seven Gloucestershire wickets, North*amptonshire* made little further progress yesterday. Rain and bad light restricted play to 18 overs, and the tailenders proved highly obdurate.

It was an awful day, one of mist as well as bad light and rain, the players constantly coming and going. A prolonged shower in mid-afternoon finally sent everyone home with, at least, whetted appetites for Northamptonshire's batsmen chasing a target today.

Two wickets fell yesterday. Greene, on his debut, was splendidly caught by Wild at cover, running backwards and holding the ball as he tumbled over. Born in Barbados, Greene normally plays for Bristol West Indians, and is playing here in place of Walsh, who is being rested. There will be plenty more opportunities for him next summer if Walsh, as is likely, is wanted by the West Indies.

Lawrence was yorked by Davis, but Russell and Graveney then added 43 for the last wicket through a mixture of edges, *swings to leg and the occasional* authentic cover drive. It brought Gloucestershire a fourth batting point, and that was that for the day.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings
A W Stovold c Ripley b Davis 4
A J Wright c Bailey b Davis 65
C W J Athey c Bailey b Davis 2
P W Romaines c N Cook b Davis 69
K M Curran c Larkins b Davis 4
J W Lloyds c Lamb b N Cook 62
M W Alleyne b N Cook 9
†R C Russell not out 36
V S Greene c Wild b N G B Cook 1
D V Lawrence b Davis 9
*D A Graveney not out 16
Extras (lb 15, w 4, nb 11) 30
Total (9 wkts, 91 overs) 307
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-23, 3-138, 4-148, 5-194, 6-229, 7-251, 8-253, 9-264.
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: *G Cook, W Larkins, R J Bailey, A J Lamb, D J Capel, R G Williams, D J Wild, †D Ripley, N G B Cook, W W Davis and A Walker.*
Bonus points: Gloucestershire 4, Northamptonshire 4.
Umpires: H D Bird and A A Jones.

Gambler's view of Nicholas

By Geoffrey Wheeler

Mark Nicholas, the **Hampshire** captain, made the sort of declaration at Bournemouth which was once the hallmark of Colin Ingleby-MacKenzie in his heyday at the county in the Sixties in an effort to force a win from the rain-hit match with **Warwickshire**. But his enterprise was all to no avail as the game was left drawn and Hampshire, third in the Britannic Assurance championship, had to settle for four points.

An hour lost to to the weather at the start of the final day reduced the already brief room for manoeuvre and after Amiss and Humpage had removed the threat of Warwickshire having to follow-on, it seemed that there was little that could be done.

Humpage, batting with a runner because of a damaged rib muscle, resisted Marshall until he had made 51. Soon after his dismissal Warwickshire declared at 110 for six and Nicholas immediately forfeited Hampshire's second innings.

This set Warwickshire 115 in 33 overs, breathtakingly generous under normal circumstances, but a justifiable risk on a pitch helping the fast bowlers against a team under pressure.

Warwickshire were soon in the toils against Marshall, losing three wickets for 26. But the old campaigner Amiss, stoutly assisted by Asif Din, prevented a further breakthrough and the game was given up with Warwickshire 58 for three and four overs of the final 20 unused.

A rousing half-century by Somerset's young all-rounder *Gary Palmer completed one of* the season's more notable recoveries at Taunton. Somerset, having been 18 for five against Leicestershire early on Saturday, surprisingly reached the heights of 257 and three batting points. Palmer and Marks put on 94 for the eighth wicket. Palmer hitting seven boundaries through the off-side in Ferris's first three overs on his way to 68, which included a six and ten fours.

Leicestershire conceded Somerset a first innings advantage of 146 by declaring at 111 for two after Darren Foster, a seam bowler, aged 21, and Nicholas Pringle both took their first championship wickets.

The top of the Somerset order again had problems dealing with the new ball and with Martin Crowe failing for the second time in the match they were 26 for three against Ferris and Agnew before Roebuck stopped the rot and in company with Pringle took his side to 57 for three at the close, a lead of 203.

The costs of a wet summer are still rising

By Richard Streeton

Essex, whose match with Derbyshire at Southend again fell foul of the weather yesterday, now estimate that the poor summer has cost them more than £25,000 in lost gate receipts.

Like all county clubs, Essex have other *main sources* of income but match proceeds still remain important. In particular the three festival weeks at Ilford, Southend and Colchester bring in much revenue and the first two have already been badly hit.

"Ilford in June was mostly a quagmire and I was never out of wellington boots after the first day," Peter Edwards, the Essex secretary-manager, said.

Rain also brought other problems for the club. Mr Edwards said: "We still have the usual overheads; the caterers suffer, of course, and it is embarrassing for the sponsors with several hundred guests in their tents. People are philosophical today, but it does not make it any easier to acquire support in future years."

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Somerset v Leicester

TAUNTON: Somerset with seven second-innings wickets in hand lead Leicestershire by 203 runs.

SOMERSET: First Innings
N A Felton lbw b Agnew 0
*P M Roebuck b Ferris 5
J J E Hardy b Ferris 0
M D Crowe b Ferris 0
N J Pringle run out 1
R J Harden b Agnew 59
†N D Burns c Whitticase b Clift 59
V J Marks c Whitticase b Clift 38
G V Palmer c Cobb b Agnew 68
A N Jones not out 6
D J Foster c Willey b Agnew 9
Extras (b 2, lb 4, w 1, nb 5) 12
Total 257
Score at 100 overs: 253-9.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-3, 3-5, 4-7, 5-18, 6-119, 7-148, 8-242, 9-242.
BOWLING: Agnew 31.4-8-92-4; Ferris 23-5-76-3; Clift 29-11-39-2; Such 17-5-44-0.

Second Innings
N A Felton lbw b Ferris 6
*P M Roebuck not out 29
J J E Hardy run out 5
M D Crowe c Whitticase b Agnew 1
N J Pringle not out 10
Extras (lb 2, w 1, nb 3) 6
Total (3 wkts) 57
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-23, 3-28.
LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings
R A Cobb not out 27
N E Briers b Pringle 30
*P Willey c Crowe b Foster 17
D I Gower not out 19
Extras (lb 7, w 6, nb 5) 18
Total (2 wkts dec, 26 overs) 111
J J Whitaker, T J Boon, P B Clift, †P Whitticase, P M Such, J P Agnew and G J Ferris did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-55, 2-75.
BOWLING: Jones 5-0-17-0; Foster 8-0-42-1; Palmer 8-2-26-0; Pringle 4-0-13-1; Marks 1-0-6-0.
Bonus points: Somerset 3, Leicestershire 4.
Umpires: K J Lyons and P B Wight.

Hants v Warwick

BOURNEMOUTH: Match drawn: Hampshire 4pts, Warwickshire 4.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings 224 for 9 dec (G J Parsons 5 for 80, T A Merrick 4 for 100).

Second Innings: Forfeited

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings
A J Moles c Parks b Connor 7
T A Lloyd c Parks b Marshall 1
P A Smith c Greenidge b Marshall 6
D L Amiss c Parks b Tremlett 19
†G W Humpage c Greenidge b Marshall 51
Asif Din not out 23
†G A Tedstone c C L Smith b Marshall 0
D A Thorne not out 0
Extras (lb 3) 3
Total (6 wkts dec, 49 overs) 110
G J Parsons, T A Merrick and *N Gifford did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-15, 3-15, 4-65, 5-88, 6-98.
BOWLING: Marshall 17-7-32-4; Connor 11-3-29-1; Maru 13-5-29-0; Tremlett 8-2-17-1.

Second Innings
*T A Lloyd c Nicholas b Marshall 0
A J Moles c C L Smith 10
P A Smith c James b Connor 10
D L Amiss not out 18
Asif Din not out 18
Extras (lb 1, nb 1) 2
Total (3 wkts) 58
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-11, 3-26.
BOWLING: Marshall 8-5-9-2; Connor 5-2-11-1; Maru 9-1-33-0; Tremlett 4-2-2-0; James 3-2-2-0.
Umpires: B Dudleston and R Julian.

No play yesterday

LORD'S: Middlesex v Notts.
SOUTHEND: Essex v Derbyshire: Derbyshire 10 for 1 (8 overs).
HASTINGS: Sussex v Yorkshire.

YACHTING

Conditions pose stern test for helmsmen

By Barry Pickthall

Derek Boyer's chartered Swan 59 International led the 39-strong fleet across the finishing line at the end of yesterday's blustery 33-mile opening race around Sark for the Swan European championship.

In an exciting finish, International beat her larger 65-foot rival, Baija Flor, whose owners, Simon Clarke and Mike Lamy, have elected to race this week without mizzen sails to improve their handicap racing by three boat lengths, but then dropped to 11th on handicap among the Class I fleet.

Handicap honours went instead to Keith Miller's Swan 46 Crackerjack IX, which made most gains from a well-judged port tack at the end of the first short windward leg to a buoy off St Peter Port harbour entrance.

Crossing the bows of at least six other competitors, all barrelling towards the buoy on starboard, the disturbed air from Crackerjack's sails as she tacked *to round the mark* caused all manner of problems to those astern, forcing the Dutch crew aboard the 39-foot Quadra to miss the mark altogether and leaving Gregal, a French Swan 47, *floundering on the* buoy, blocking the path for those behind.

The following spinnaker run led to some spectacular broaches as crews fought to control their boats in the *gusting force-five* winds and choppy seas.

On the beat northwards to the east of Sark, the adverse tidal rip transformed the seas into a vicious chop, providing a severe test to helmsmen. But, at the finish, Crackerjack held her time by just four seconds over her Swan 46 sister ship, Mariposa II of Hamble, which was followed on corrected time by Harold Baum's West German-entered Swan 44 Elan.

Class II was won by Gordon Walker's Swan 43 Pavlova II, which led throughout, followed by David Barnham's 38-foot Xara and Bypass, a Swan 37, skippered by Gavin Howell.

Admirable show by Hartley

By Roger Lean-Vercoe

James Hartley and Ian Tillett once again demonstrated their mastery on the second day of the Prince of Wales Cup week in Falmouth Bay yesterday. The force-five north-westerly conditions were not easy; the practised crews were at a distinct advantage.

Hartley and Tillett blasted out of the line and rounded the windward mark with a lead of 50 yards. In a demonstration of the same, immaculate, heavy-weather style that won them Sunday's race, they steadily increased their lead and left the rest to scrap for second place.

This was an exciting battle, and for most of the race the McDonald brothers marginally *held the upper hand over* Charles Stanley and John Hodgart. Stanley broke through on the second pair of reaches after a stopper knot on the McDonalds' spinnaker guy *pulled through the block, and he* held this lead up the last beat. It looked as if he would take the second gun, but fate was against him. Fifty yards from the finish the mainsheet slipped from his *fingers and he partially capsized* to windward.

RESULTS: 1, J Hartley and I Tillett (Ilchenor); 2, N McDonald and D McDonald (Warsash); 3, A Fitzgerald and A Murphy (Ilchenor); 4, C Stanley and J Hodgart (Nottingham Outlaws); 5, A Smith *and D Roberts (Ilchenor); 6, M Warren and* A Goodchild (Sussex Motor).

McIntyre out

Mike McIntyre, the Olympic-standard Finn helmsman and former mainsheet trimmer aboard White Crusader, has been forced to pull out of Britain's James Capel Admiral's Cup team because of the illness of his young son. McIntyre was due to helm the one-tonner, Juno, and his unavailability is a blow to Britain's hopes of regaining the trophy.

Scots refuse to chase Irish target

By a Special Correspondent

Ireland and Scotland drew their three-day international at Coleraine with neither side possessing a *bowling attack* strong enough to bowl out the opposition.

For the third successive innings yesterday, the top half of the order folded with half the Irish side out for 67 but once again Junior McBrine and Simon Corlett defied the Scots.

In the first innings they set a record eighth-wicket partner*ship of 150* and their valuable 38 in 36 minutes in the second innings enabled the home captain, Paul Jackson to set Scotland 180 in 22 overs. They never made any attempt.

SCORES: Ireland 255 (A McBrine 102, S Corlett 53, J Kerr 4-54, P Duthie 3-99) and 161-9 dec (S Corlett 31 no; A Stevenson 4-28, Jim Govan 3-68); Scotland 241-8 dec (M Smith 79, D Snodgrass 49; H Milling 4-81) and 37-3. Match drawn.

TENNIS

Repton chase seventh win and the record

By a Special Correspondent

Repton, coached by Andrew Jarrett, the former British Davis Cup player, are firm favourites to retain the Youll Cup (public schools doubles championship) at Wimbledon this week.

The Derbyshire school, champions for the last six years, are now just one more success away from equalling St Paul's overall record of seven wins since the tournament's inception in 1947.

St Paul's, runners-up last year, are seeded second, but will be without Jeffrey Hunter, arguably the best singles player, who is on county duty with Surrey. Also absent is Mark Tomlinson, the UCS No. 1 who is representing Middlesex.

Yesterday's *first round* was punctuated by intermittent showers, but a full programme in the senior competition was possible after matches were switched to varying surfaces at Wimbledon Park, King's College School and Southlands College.

RESULTS: First round: Marlborough bt Oundle, 2-0; St Edmund's, Canterbury bt Aldenham, 2-1; *Clifton bt Worcester* RGS, 2-0; Bryanston bt Seaford, 2-0; Eton bt Arnold (Blackpool), 2-0.

Singular idea by LTA for county week

An effort to resolve the anomalies in British tennis could involve the demise of the 92-year-old format of the Prudential County Cup grass-court championship.

Since the championships' inaugural year, 1895, doubles has been the accepted format. But an LTA letter to all county captains yesterday, at the start of this year's county week, asked the opinions on the advent of singles competition. At present each match consists of nine doubles rubbers.

Should singles be adopted, it would fill a much discussed void. A large body of opinion exists which believes the lacklustre state of British tennis is caused, among many other reasons, by a lack of singles competiton. A lot of negotiation would be required to implement this rule change, with many people intent upon maintaining the present set-up.

Once again summer endured the wrath of British tennis when rain disrupted the start of the week at venues across the country. Worst hit was Devonshire Park, Eastbourne, host of *the championship* group, where rain wiped out the day's play.

BORDEAUX: Grand Prix tournament: Doubles final: *E Sanchez* and S Casal (Sp) bt D Cahill and M Woodforde (Aus), 6-3, 6-3.
LIVINGSTONE: New Jersey grand prix championships: Final: J Krlek (US) bt C Saceanu (WG), 7-6, 3-6, 6-2.

INDIANAPOLIS: US clay court tournament: Singles: Final: M Wilander (Swe) bt K Carlsson (Swe), 7-5, 6-3.
STUTTGART: Men's grand prix tournament: Finals: M Mecir (Cz) bt J Gunnarsson (Swe), 6-0 6-2. Doubles: R Leach and T Pawsat (US) bt M Pernfors and M Tideman (Swe), 6-3, 6-4.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

MEADOWBANK: International match: Scotland v Ireland v Wales (winners): Men: 200m: *N Turnbull* (Scot), 21.83sec. 800m: T McKean (Scot), 1:50.57. 5000m: D Taylor (Ire), 14:02.10. 3,000m steeplechase: L O'Brien (Ire), 8:55.11. 110m hurdles: T Kearns (Ire), 14.27. 400m hurdles: P Harris (Wal), 51.12. Pole vault: A Leiper (Scot), 4.80m. Long jump: R McKay (Scot), 7.24m. Triple jump: C Duncan (Scot), 16.32m. Shot: P Edwards (Wal), 16.53m. Discus: G Patience (Scot), 51.54m. 3,000 metres walk: S Johnston (Wal), 12:00.20. 4 x 100m relay: Ireland, 42.96sec. 4 x 400m relay: Scotland, 3:18.41sec. Match result: Scotland 167, Ireland 158, Wales 115. Women: 200m: P Amond (Ire), 24.37. 1,500m: R Smyth (Ire), 4:21.04. 3,000m: O Harford (Ire), 9:21.56. 100m hurdles: K Morley (Wal), 14.19. 400m hurdles: M Southerden (Scot), 1min 00.22. High jump: C Henderson (Scot), 1.73m. Long jump: L Campbell (Scot), 5.20m. Shot: V Head (Wal), 14.72m. Discus: V Head (Wal), 52.18m. 4 x 400m relay: Scotland, 3:41.08. Match result: Scotland 114, Ireland 110½, Wales 84½.

HENGELO, The Netherlands: Adriaan Paulen memorial international (winners): Men: 100m: C Smith (US), 10.21. 400m: M Franks (US), 44.88. 800m: J L Brasseur (Br), 1:43.89. 1,500m: S Maree (US), 3:33.28. 5,000m: D Padilla (US), 13:32.34. 3,000m steeplechase: H Marsh (US), 8:19.24. 400m hurdles: E Meliaard (Neth), 49.06. Long jump: E Meliaard (Neth), 7.96. Triple jump: W Banks (US), 16.83m. High jump: J Lott (US), 2.30m. British placing: 7, G Parsons, 2.24. Discus: B Cooper (Bahamas), 62.98m. Women: 100m: N Cooman (Neth), 11.17. 800m: D Walker-Floyd (US), 1:58.82. Javelin: I Kostouchenkova (USSR), 68.72m. Long jump: M Ibu (Rom), 6.81m.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

BUDWEISSER LEAGUE: Premier division: Bournemouth Bobcats 68, Southern Bengals 0; Colchester 62, City of London Stags 0; Edinburgh Eagles 6, Granite City Oilers 2; Rockingham Rebels 0, Dunstable Cowboys 8; Kings Lynn Patriots 27, Birmingham Huskies 19; Oxford Bulldogs 68, Reading 0. First division: White Rhinos 6, Merton Admirals 20; Stoke Spitfires 28, Wolverhampton Outlaws 0; Wirral Wolves 30, Stockport Falcons 0.

BOXING

ST TROPEZ: WBC world lightweight title bout: *Terrence Alli* (US, challenger) bt Jose Luis Ramirez (Mex), stopped 6th rnd. EBU European welterweight title bouts: Louis Gomez (Fr, holder) bt Vicente Fernandez, stopped 6th rnd.

STREET HOCKEY

LEICESTER: Tennent Super national championship: Semi-finals: Talisers Titans 7, Sissters 2; Street Raiders 2, Street Warriors 3.

CRICKET

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Grimsby: Suffolk 169 (B J Griffiths 4-46) Lincolnshire 169-4 (M A Fell 71 not out). Trophy: Berkshire 125 (R J Perry 5-52) Cornwall 96-7 (E G Wilcock 51 not out; J H Jones 4-19).
BAIN DAWES TROPHY: Hove: Sussex v Middlesex, match abandoned, rain.

YACHTING

HULL: Rixon Matthews Appleyard Cup: Third leg (Lowestoft to Hull): 1, Xanthera (M Peacock, Brough); 2, Romp (J Sellers, Doncaster); 3, Brigadoon (J Penty, Doncaster). Final handicap positions: 1, Highlight (T Watkins, Hull); 2, Xanthera; 3, Brigadoon.
ST AUBIN'S BAY, Jersey: European Windsurfer class championships: Slalom: 1, E Sweitzer (US), 2, P van Dapen (Neth); 3, K Bultynck (Bel). Britain: Equal 8, G Hind. Women's final: 1, I Semsini (It); 2, P van Kasbeck (Neth); 3, A Rowe (US). Three-triangle races: Lightweight group: 1, Y Noesmeijer (Fr); 2, G Yeoman (GB); 3, M Gamborini (It). Middleweight: 1, L Frascan (It); 2, C Wrakey (GB); 3, R Beck (Guernsey). Heavyweights: 1, *C Journeaux (Jersey)*; 2, G Di Paola (It), 3, C Dalla Vedova (It). Ladies: 1, I Semsini (It); 2, R Roscoe (GB); 3, C Vance Peer (Belg).
WEYMOUTH: Olympic Class Div II national board sailing championships: Lightweight: 1, W Benham; 2, S Goody; 3, S Kesler. Heavyweight: 1, B Morris; 2, R Johnson; 3, P Murray. Women: 1, P Way; 2 J Pebs; 3, K Robinson. Youths: 1, M Wemms; 2, A Cooper; 3, T Williams.
HAMBURGSUND, Sweden: Contender world championship: Race 1: 1, B Watson (Aus), 2, J Webb (UK), 3, K Paul (UK), 4, A Potter (UK); 5, D Behrmann (WG); 6, U Heinecke (WG).

LEAGUE CRICKET RESULTS

STODDARD CARPETS SCOTTISH COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: West Lothian 103, Ayrshire 104 for 0. All other matches cancelled.
D M HALL WESTERN UNION: Greenock 196 for 4, Poloc 151 for 8; Uddingston 156 for 9, Clydesdale 157 for 4.
RYDEN AND PARTNERS EAST OF SCOTLAND LEAGUE: First division: All matches cancelled.
CAPITAL WINDOWS WELSH CHAMPIONSHIP: All matches cancelled. Leading positions: Panteg, 19.65; Ammanford, 16.50; St Fagans, 13.50.
NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY LEAGUE: All matches cancelled.
DURHAM SENIOR LEAGUE: All matches cancelled.
GIROBANK NORTH YORKSHIRE AND SOUTH DURHAM LEAGUE: All matches cancelled.
TSB CENTRAL LANCASHIRE LEAGUE: Sunday: Royton 135-6, Heywood 138-8; Norden 86-4, Milnrow 82; Hyde 87-2 v Rochdale (rain); Werneth 199-3, Crompton 140; Middleton 106-6, Stockport 105-8; Walsden 21-2 v Littleborough (rain); Castleton Moor 155, Ashton 156-6; Radcliffe v Oldham 92-3 (rain).
MATTHEW BROWN LANCASHIRE LEAGUE: All matches cancelled.
ASSOCIATED LEISURE HOTELS WORSLEY CUP: Semi-final: Ramsbottom 49 for 2 v Rishton (rain).
BRADFORD LEAGUE: Saturday: All matches cancelled. Sunday: Bingley 120, East Bierley 123 for 4; Idle 139 for 7, Manningham Mills 132 for 9. All other matches abandoned.

FOOTBALL

CANADA: World Cup under-16 tournament: Quarter-finals: In Montreal: Nigeria 1, Australia 0. In Toronto: Italy 2, S Korea 0. In Saint John, New Brunswick: Ivory Coast 3, Qatar 0. In St. John's, Newfoundland: Soviet Union 3, France 2.
AFRICAN NATIONS CUP: Final qualifying round: Second leg: Kenya 0, Zimbabwe 0 (agg 1-1, Kenya win on away-goals rule); Sierra Leone 2, Nigeria 0 (Nigeria win 3-2 on agg), Ivory Coast 2, Malawi 0 (Ivory Coast win 4-1 on agg); Sudan 1, Cameroon 0 (Cameroon won 2-1 on aggregate); Zaire 0, Senegal 0 (agg score set 0-0; Zaire won 4-2 on penalties). Qualifiers: Morocco (hosts), Egypt (holders), Algeria, Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Nigeria, Zaire.

CANOEING

BOURG-St MAURICE, France: World championships: Kayak team: 1, Britain, 214.34sec; 2, Yugoslavia, 217.18; 3, France, 218.86. Men's Canadian pairs: 1, P Calvo and J Calons (Fr), 218.61; 2, J Macewan and L Haller (US), 222.24; 3, M Hajduck and M Kucera (Cz), 227.86. Women's Kayak, team: *1, W Germany, 273.48sec. 2, France, 282.63.* 3, US 286.95. 4, Britain, 320.48. Canadian doubles: 1, France, 250.18; 2, Czechoslovakia, 261.01; 3, West Germany, 268.34. 5, Britain, 303.26. Canadian singles: 1, US, 242.02; 2, France, 284.89; 3, Yugoslavia, 271.62. 4, Britain, 271.81.

FENCING

LAUSANNE: World championships: Women: Individual foil: Final: E Tutan (Rom), bt Z Funkenhauser (WG), 8-4.

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National League: Montreal Expos 2, Atlanta Braves 1 (11 innings). New York Yankees, 6, Cincinnati Reds 5 (11); Philadelphia Phillies 4, Houston Astros 1; San Francisco Giants 4, Chicago Cubs 3; St Louis Cardinals 5, San Diego Padres 4 (10). Pittsburgh Pirates 7, Los Angeles Dodgers 2. American League: Seattle Mariners 5, Detroit Tigers 4. Oakland Athletics 5, Boston Red Sox 3 (11); Minnesota Twins 7, Toronto Blue Jays 6; Chicago White Sox 9, Cleveland Indians 7; *Baltimore Orioles* 5, Kansas City Royals 1; California Angels 8, Milwaukee Brewers 5; Texas Rangers 20, New York Yankees 3

	Won	Lst	Pct	GB
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East division				
St Louis Cardinals	58	32	.644	–
Montreal Expos	51	39	.567	7
New York Mets	49	42	.538	9½
Chicago Cubs	49	43	.533	10
Philadelphia Phillies	45	45	.500	13
Pittsburgh Pirates	41	50	.451	17½
West division				
Cincinnati Reds	49	43	.533	–
San Fran Giants	46	46	.500	3
Houston Astros	45	46	.495	3½
Atlanta Braves	41	50	.451	7½
LA Dodgers	41	51	.446	8
San Diego Padres	32	60	.348	17
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East division				
New York Yankees	57	36	.613	–
Toronto Blue Jays	53	38	.582	3
Detroit Tigers	51	38	.573	4
Milwaukee Brewers	44	45	.494	11
Boston Red Sox	42	50	.457	14½
Baltimore Orioles	39	53	.424	17½
Cleveland Indians	32	59	.352	24
West division				
Minnesota Twins	51	42	.548	–
Oakland Athletics	49	42	.538	1
California Angels	48	45	.516	3
Kansas City Royals	46	45	.505	4
Seattle Mariners	46	46	.500	4½
Texas Rangers	43	47	.478	6½
Chicago White Sox	37	52	.416	12

Pct = percentage *GB = Games behind*

EQUESTRIANISM

GHLIN, Belgium: European team show jumping championships: 1, West Germany, 24pts; 2, Belgium, 28; 3, Ireland, 36. Britain, not placed

GOLF

COAL VALLEY: Illinois classic: Leading final scores (US unless stated): 265: K Knox, 67, 66, 66, 66. 266: G Morgan, 66, 69, 63, 68. 267: *M McCumber, 64, 67, 69, 67. 268: S Hoch, 68,* 68, 66, 67. 269: B Fabel, 64, 65, 71, 69. 270: J Renner, 69, 69, 69, 63. P Arthur, 67, 67, 69, 67. SONY WORLD RANKINGS: 1, G Norman (Aus), 1.345pts. 2, S Ballesteros (Spa), 1.270; 3, B Langer (WG), 1.261, 4, P Stuart (US), 818, 5, T Nakajima (Japan), 802; 6, A Lyle (GB), 730; 7, R Davis (Aus), 722, 8, C Strange (US), 658, 9, L Watkins (US), 674; 10, I Aoki (Japan), 645.
DANVERS, Massachusetts: Boston Five women's classic: Leading final scores (US unless stated): 277: J Geddes, 73, 70, 67, 67. 278: J Rosenthal, 69, 68, 73, 70. D White, 68, 73, 69, 68. 279: B King, 71, 66, 75, 67. R Jones, 71, 68, 72, 67. 280: P Sheenan, 69, 72, 69, 70. 281: B Pearson, 68, 68, 70, 74. 282: H Stacey, 70, 68, 72, 72. 283: *J Stephenson* (Aus), 68, 71, 73, 71. D Roberts, 70, 72, 71, 70. 284: C Walker, 72

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Tour lead pushes Roche close to cycling's legends

From John Wilcockson
Villard-de-Lans, France

Stephen Roche, aged 27, of Dublin, attained the pinnacle of a professional cyclist's career yesterday when he assumed the overall lead in the Tour de France after finishing second to Pedro Delgado, of Spain, at the end of a magnificent day in the Alps.

Roche stands on the brink of emulating the four men who have won both the Tour of Italy and the Tour de France in the same season. They are the four greatest names in cycling history: Eddy Merckx, of Belgium, Fausto Coppi, of Italy, and the Frenchmen, Jacques Anquetil and Bernard Hinault.

The nineteenth stage of this 25-day race, between Valreas and Villard-de-Lans, was one of medium difficulty. The first half of the 115 miles proceeded north along the Rhone valley; the second half infiltrated the deep limestone gorges and green heights of the Vercors, the region famous from World War II for the stubbornness of its French Resistance chapters.

The Vercors is also the region of Charly Mottet, who led this Tour from July 10 until two days ago, when the yellow jersey was claimed by another Frenchman, Jean-François Bernard. Bernard won the savage time trial up Mont Ventoux in Provence by a wide margin, and he started yesterday's stage with a lead of 2min 34sec on Roche, with Mottet another 13sec behind.

Roche said at Valreas: "I am hoping that Bernard will have an off-day after his effort yesterday. I will have to attack somewhere in the Alps to dislodge him from first place."

It seemed that Bernard would prove a worthy race leader when he twice resisted attacks by Roche on the Tourniol Pass, the day's first mountain climb. But then the alarm bells rang for him.

He punctured a tyre close to the top of the pass and was given a spare wheel by a team colleague, which enabled him to recatch the long line of riders by the next village, Leoncel, where the riders received their feeding bags.

In the habitual chaos of the feeding station, one of Mottet's team colleagues, Martial Gayant, accelerated from the front. Roche and Mottet quickly joined him, as did six others, one of whom was Delgado, lying fourth overall.

This group was joined by Luis Herrera and Raul Alcala, but not by Bernard or any of the other race leaders. Robert Millar, lying fifth overnight, was relegated to a back group and finished the stage 15min behind Delgado.

By the summit of the aptly named Col de la Bataille, the Roche group was 33sec ahead of Bernard, who was now supported by four team colleagues in an ardent pursuit. A derailed chain again delayed the unfortunate Bernard before the gap stabilized at around 1min 15sec for the next 20 miles.

Only one climb remained, the hardest of the stage, the narrow, steep Chalimont Hill. From the first slopes Bernard was left to lead the chasing group on his own, while Roche continued to force the pace with Mottet, Herrera and Delgado. Just over 13 miles from the finish, on the steepest part of the hill, Delgado sprinted away from the leaders, and only an inspired Roche could follow him.

At this delightfully located ski resort, Delgado easily won the sprint for the stage victory, but for Roche their 30sec gain on Mottet and four-minute advantage over Bernard were the elements that put the Irishman into the race lead.

Tour details

NINETEENTH STAGE: Villard-de-Lans: 1, P Delgado (Sp), 4hr 53min 34sec; 2, S Roche (Ireland), at 3sec; 3, M Lejarreta (Sp), 31; 4, A Fuerte (Sp), 31; 5, C Mottet (Fr), 31; 6, L Herrera (Col), 1:06; 7, A Achermann (Switz), 2:08; 8, T de Rooy (Neth), 3; M Gayant (Fr); 10, L Fignon (Fr); 11, R Alcala (Mex); 12, F Lemarchand (Fr); 13, E Schepers (Bel), all same time; 14, B Vallet (Fr), 4:11; 15, G Sanders (Fr), 4:12; 16, R Golz (WG), same time; 17, T van Vliet (Neth), 4:16; 18, E Breukink (Neth); 19, A Hampsten (US); 20, P Stevenhaagen (Neth), all same time.
OVERALL: 1, S Roche (Ire), 84hr 35min 14sec; 2, C Mottet (Fr), at 41sec; 3, P Delgado (Sp), 1:19; 4, J-F Bernard (Fr), 1:39; 5, L Herrera (Col), 6:47; 6, F Parra (Col), 12:54; 7, P Wilches (Col), 13:40; 8, A Hampsten (US), 14:19; 9, M Lejarreta (Sp), 14:49; 10, R Alcalá (Mex), 15:05; 11, U Zimmermann (Switz), 18:05; 12, L Fignon (Fr), 17:19;13, C Criquelion (Bel), 19:10; 14, A Fuerte (Sp), 19:25; 15, E Breukink (Neth), 20:02; 16, F Echave (Sp), 22:21; 17, R Millar (GB), 22:22;18, B Breu (Switz), 23:35; 19, G Moncada (Col), 27:26;20, G Zadrobilek (Austria), 29:02. British, ANC-Halfords and others: 77, R Millar at 15min 16sec; 102, M Earley 25:53; 109, P Kimmage; 117, M Elliott; 139, A Timmis; 141, S Yates all same time.
WOMEN'S TOUR: Villard de Lans: Tenth stage (83km): 1, M Canins (It), 2hr 34min 32sec; 2, J Longo (Fr), same time; 3, R Bonanomi (It), at 1:02; 4, U Enzenauer (WG), 1:03; 5, D Damiani (Fr), 1:31; 6, U Larsen (Nor), 1:46. British placings: 15, S Thompson, 3:25, 24, C Greenwood, 6:15; 52, P Strong, 11:10; 60, V Thomas, 17:06; 69, M Grivell, 19:04; 72, M Johnson, 21:06; 78, H Edwards, 26:00. Overall: 1, M Canins (It), 17hr 50min 03sec; 2, J Longo (Fr), at 7sec; 3, U Enzenauer (WG), 6:11; 4, R Bonanomi (It), 7:56; 5, T Poliakova (USSR), 8:19; 6, D Damiani (Fr), 12:00. British placings: 25, C Greenwood, 28:56; 29, S Thompson, 32:13; 61, P Strong, 58:47; 66, M Grivell, 1:02:42; 67, V Thomas, 1:02:48; 71, M Johnson, 1:09:04; 76, H Edwards, 1:16:11.



Handling the applause: Stephen Roche acknowledges the cheers as he wears the Tour leader's yellow jersey

END COLUMN

Faldo's way to a swing in form

By Mitchell Platts
Golf Correspondent

Nick Faldo was compelled to dismantle probably the most aesthetically beautiful swing in golf to become Open Champion. That was the conclusion yesterday by David Leadbetter, the Florida-based golf instructor, who has been Faldo's guru since they first met in December 1984.

"The swing looked beautiful," Leadbetter told *The Times* from Chicago. "It had marvellous rhythm. But it camouflaged a number of faults. People thought Nick crazy to change it, but impressive as the swing looked, it would never have stood up to real pressure, the kind of pressure he came under at Muirfield. It was a gamble on his part, but I knew he was talented enough to make it."

Leadbetter was initially hard on Faldo. He stressed that the remodelling process would take two years. Faldo accepted that at their first meeting he was a touch half-hearted. "I didn't want to go through the pain barrier," he said. "I thought I would use some of David's thoughts and stop at that."

Faldo, however, needed Leadbetter. Ian Connelly, the professional at Welwyn Garden City, where Faldo learned to play as a teenager, had for years remained close to his protégé. Then they drifted apart and Faldo, with nobody to advise him on his swing, suffered.

Leadbetter, who was born in Woking, was the perfect replacement. At the age of seven, he moved to Zimbabwe, and he grew up with Mark McNulty, Nick Price and Denis Watson. In time, they would all become pupils of his.

Leadbetter tried the European tour in 1976 and 1977



The new Faldo backswing

but, on a shoe-string budget, he could not contend. So he took a club job at Staverton Park, in Northamptonshire, before moving to Chicago, then on to Florida and the Greneleaf Club, near Orlando, at the request of Andy Bean.

Faldo met Leadbetter again in May 1985, at the Memorial Tournament in Dublin, Ohio. This time he committed himself. "I asked David to throw the book at me," Faldo said. "He did. He wanted me to work on a new backswing and change things that I had done throughout my golfing life. It felt weird, crazy at times, but I persevered."

Leadbetter recalled Faldo's enthusiasm. "He wanted to learn all he could about the mechanics of the swing," Leadbetter said. "One of his problems was that he couldn't flight the ball low, so he struggled in the wind. Nick was a good pupil. He worked hard. He trusted me.

"There came a time when it did appear he was slipping into a shell. There was a lot of criticism. So much was expected of him, especially after Sandy Lyle won the Open in 1985. I think many felt Nick would never come back. Now he has proved his critics wrong."

Faldo knew what he wanted to achieve. "With the old backswing, I took the club inside and then my hands would go up rather than remain on the same plane," he said. "Consequently, I got into the bad habit of having what is commonly known as a flying right elbow.

"David taught me to flatten my left wrist position at the top of the backswing so that the right elbow tucked in much better. I started to achieve a better turn by remaining on the same plane."

In September 1985, Faldo felt he was there. Leadbetter disagreed. "The backswing was fine but Nick was still making the same downswing," he said.

Faldo went back to work. Leadbetter added: "He hung in when others would have dropped out. Come hell or high water, he was determined to get it right."

Leadbetter flew to Scotland the week before the Open to fine-tune Faldo's swing. Before returning home, he placed a £5 wager at 33-1 with a bookmaker that Faldo would win the Open. "I knew he was ready," Leadbetter said. "I'm absolutely thrilled for him."

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TCCB to monitor pitches at Leeds

The standard and condition of Yorkshire County Cricket Club's pitches at Headingley are to be monitored by the Test and County Cricket Board and its inspector of pitches, Bernard Flack.

The TCCB stated yesterday that it had received adverse reports concerning three matches recently – Yorkshire v Worcestershire in the Benson and Hedges Cup on May 12, the third Cornhill Test between England and Pakistan and the NatWest Trophy game between Yorkshire and Glamorgan on July 8.

Brian Close, the chairman of the Yorkshire cricket committee, and Keith Boyce, the Headingley groundsman, were called to a meeting chaired by Colin Cowdrey, to explain why the pitches had been given a "poor" rating.

Both outlined the future programme of preparation at Headingley, designed to improve the situation, and spoke of the concentrated use of the heavy roller to compact the soil. Flack will attend three matches at Headingley – the Britannic Assurance county championship game against Glamorgan, starting tomorrow, the NatWest Trophy quarter-final tie with Leicestershire on July 29 and the Roses game on August 1 – and report back to the TCCB.

Nottinghamshire were also warned over the "poor" state of the Trent Bridge pitch for the championship game against Yorkshire from July 4 to 6 and a letter of censure has been sent to them. The club acknowledged that the pitch "was not up to the required standard".

Surrey looking to the skies after Gray day

By Alan Lee

CARDIFF: Surrey, with eight second-innings wickets standing, lead Glamorgan by 157 runs.

Championships are won and lost by being in the right place at the right time. Yesterday, while most other title contenders kicked their heels in waterlogged corners of England, Surrey took advantage of the relatively blissful Welsh weather to pin poor Glamorgan against the ropes.

It is a position Glamorgan have grown accustomed to over the years but this time they somehow ducked the killer punch. At 98 for eight, and with Tony Gray confronting them on an unpleasant pitch, the follow-on figure of 124 looked a distant mirage. Surrey happily anticipated 23 points, which would urge them onto the heels of the leaders, and an early start back to London today.

The departure from this convenient script arrived in the shape of Ian Smith, an uncapped and largely unknown Geordie, who appears to be no respecter of reputations. Gray, having taken five wickets with scarcely an aggressive blow struck against him, was confidently hooked for four before Smith turned to the spinners, saving the follow-on with a driven four.

By the time he lost his head and his wicket Smith had made 44, easily the best score of his brief career, and Greig, the Surrey captain, wore an expression which mixed disgust and frustration. Metson, bravery personified, finished unbeaten on 31 as Glamorgan's deficit was limited to 113 and although it should not stop Surrey winning, it has certainly made them work.

The work ethic was something David Thomas subscribed to enthusiastically. He batted for the first 70 minutes of the day as Surrey pursued runs; then, when last out for a devoted 49, Thomas proceeded to bowl unchanged for the next two hours and a half while Greig, mindful of the umpires' fiddling with light meters, fed Gray into the attack only when the skies brightened.

A feature of the afternoon was the spirited encouragement between fielders and bowlers, something Surrey sides of recent years have often lacked. But the critical phase occurred when Gray was recalled for a second spell.

In 11 deliveries he dismissed Maynard, Ontong and Shastri and forced Todd to retire after being hit in the groin first ball. This was 60 for six and, with the pitch offering exaggerated bounce for Gray, they did well to come back.

Reverting to his prime role as a seamer, which won him an England under-19 place last year, Ian Smith instantly removed his namesake David when Surrey batted again.

SURREY: First Innings

D M Smith lbw b Shastri	56
G S Clinton c Todd b Barwick	5
A J Stewart lbw b Smith	1
M A Lynch c Todd b Smith	0
T E Jesty c Morris b Ontong	64
†C J Richards c Todd b Shastri	14
*I A Greig b Ontong	15
D J Thomas b Shastri	49
K T Medlycott c James b Ontong	32
C K Bullen c Morris b Shastri	5
A H Gray not out	1
Extras (b 2, lb 1, w 2, nb 6)	11
Total (97.1 overs)	273

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-17, 3-17, 4-107, 5-149, 6-181, 7-186, 8-251, 9-266.
BOWLING: Barwick 19-5-43-1; Smith 9-1-35-2; Derrick 4-0-25-0; Ontong 28-6-75-3; Shastri 32.1-7-77-4; Holmes 5-1-15-0.

Second Innings

D M Smith b Smith	6
G S Clinton not out	21
A J Stewart run out	10
K T Medlycott not out	5
Extras (b 1, w 1)	2
Total (2 wkts)	44

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-38.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

S P James c Richards b Gray	6
*H Morris b Thomas	14
G C Holmes lbw b Medlycott	11
M P Maynard c Greig b Gray	10
R J Shastri c Richards b Gray	13
P A Todd c Greig b Gray	2
R C Ontong c Lynch b Gray	0
J Derrick lbw b Bullen	15
†C P Metson not out	31
I Smith st Richards b Medlycott	44
S R Barwick c Richards b Bullen	1
Extras (b 1, lb 1 nb 11)	13
Total (57.1 overs)	160

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-31, 3-35, 4-57, 5-58, 6-60, 7-96, 8-98, 9-151.
BOWLING: Thomas 18-4-48-1; Gray 18-1-46-5; Medlycott 15-5-47-2; Bullen 8.1-3-17-2.
Bonus points: Glamorgan 5, Surrey 7.
Umpires: J Burkenshaw and D O Oslear.

Stewart thwarted

The net practice ordered by Mickey Stewart, the England manager, for Ian Botham before the start of the fourth Cornhill Test against Pakistan, is seriously threatened by the weather.

Botham had an appointment with his doctor yesterday, the problem being an inflammation of the lower abdomen caused by an infection, but Stewart admitted that the net session was in the hands of the weather.

Botham, who is almost certain to play in the Test match, has not bowled a first-class over this month, and Stewart is eager for him to have a full-scale workout before the England team reports at Edgbaston tomorrow for the match, which starts on Thursday.

● Warwickshire have confirmed Bob Willis as new chairman of their powerful cricket sub-committee, albeit belatedly.

Title goes back to Ramírez

Saint-Tropez (Reuter) – José-Luis Ramírez, of Mexico, outpointed Terrence Alli, of Guyana, to regain the World Boxing Council lightweight crown here on Sunday. Ramírez won a unanimous decision from the three judges in an intense 12-round contest for the title vacated by Hector "Macho" Camacho, of Puerto Rico, who took it from the Mexican in August 1985.

The left-handed Mexican, aged 28, harried the Guayanan while seeking the 99th win of his 14-year career. Alli barely went the distance.

Two judges scored it 115-113, the other 114-113. Ramírez was out of competition for 13 months after fracturing his right hand in his bout against Camacho in Las Vegas. The WBC stripped Camacho of the title earlier this year for failing to make a defence within a specified period.

Cash encounters a Mexican greeting

Brisbane (Reuter) – Pat Cash yesterday played his first serious tennis since winning Wimbledon 16 days ago, in a training session before Australia's Davis Cup quarter-final tie against Mexico this weekend.

Cash, sporting his chequered headband, entertained a large crowd of spectators as he eased himself back into top-class tennis at the Milton sports ground.

Cash arrived 45 minutes late for practice after spending a relaxing weekend with his family in Melbourne, and was watched attentively by the Mexican squad, sitting among the crowd.

One of the Mexican entourage filmed every shot played by Cash, who won the Davis Cup almost single-handed last year.

After 30 minutes of warming up with Peter Doohan, who defeated the former Wimbledon champion, Boris Becker, at Wimbledon, Cash played matches against Doohan and Brad Drewett.

Neale Fraser, the Australian non-playing captain, said he was emphasizing to his squad that they should not to take the Mexicans lightly.

"You can't underestimate any player, especially at Davis Cup level. They will be tough and I will be impressing on my players the necessity of wrapping it up as early as possible," he said.

● STUTTGART: Miloslav Mecir, the top-seeded Czechoslovak, easily won the rain-delayed final of the $200,000 grand prix tournament here yesterday (AFP reports). Mecir, the world No. 5., beat Jan Gunnarsson, of Sweden, the thirteenth seed, 6-0, 6-2. The final should have been played on Sunday, but was put back after Saturday's semi-finals were delayed for 24 hours.

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Leeds sign a top All Black

Auckland (Agencies) – The flanker, Mark Brooke-Cowden, a member of the New Zealand All Blacks World Cup Rugby Union squad, is joining Leeds next month.

Brooke-Cowden, aged 24, confirmed the move last night after talks with Leeds officials. "I just wanted a new challenge," he said. "I have achieved everything I wanted in Rugby Union and have no regrets about leaving it.

"I have always had it in mind to make the transition. Even a couple of years ago I was talking about the possibility, and when the opportunity presented itself I did not want to let it pass."

An outstanding loose forward, Brooke-Cowden has played 43 games for the Auckland representative side since 1984 and made his All Blacks debut against France in 1986. Although he made only one appearance in New Zealand's successful World Cup campaign – in the semi-final against Wales – it was enough to convince Leeds officials, who were watching the game on television, that he was the man for them.

He is due to arrive at Headingley on August 7 and will have three weeks' training with his new colleagues before the start of the season.

The Leeds manager, Maurice Bamford, said: "Mark played Rugby League as a teenager, so he should settle in quickly. He has the potential to become an outstanding forward"

Brooke-Cowden will receive a "substantial" sum for signing a one-year contract. There is a dual option for a further season.

Graham earns high reward

Arsenal's extension of George Graham's contract is an acknowledgement of his contribution to the upturn in fortunes at Highbury last season (a Special Correspondent writes).

Last summer Graham, aged 41, returned to the club where he won the League and FA Cup double in 1971 and made good in the managerial minefield. He had led Millwall out of the third division before he succeeded Don Howe. Thirteen months later, the board has offered Graham a lucrative five-year deal.

Arsenal won the Littlewoods Cup and strung together 22 matches without defeat to head the table before finishing fourth. That, too, was an achievement when the style of play under Howe and Terry Neill seldom matched the grandeur of their marbled halls. Graham's arrival coincided with Arsenal losing their "boring" label.

"I'm delighted," Graham said. "My first season went better than expected – not just on the field, but off it as well."

The supporters recognized the wind of change brought by Graham and gates increased by nearly 30 per cent. JVC, the club's sponsor, was so impressed that it signed a deal worth nearly £1 million.

Together again in Dockland

The former Leicester and Brentford manager, Frank Mclintock, has joined Millwall, of the second division, as John Docherty's assistant. Mclintock, dismissed earlier this year as manager at Brentford, worked previously with Docherty at Griffin Park.

Docherty said: "I'm really pleased we are linking up again. We see eye-to-eye on the game and his arrival will be as important to the club as that of any player I could sign. It means our off-the-field team is as strong as the team we have out on the pitch."

Wimbledon want the England coach, Don Howe, to become right-hand man to their new manager, Bobby Gould. Howe, out of work since leaving Arsenal 16 months ago, is at Plough Lane helping out part-time.

"I worked with him when he was at Highbury and I have a lot of respect for the man," Gould said. He is hoping to sign the central defenders, Clive Goodyear and Eric Young, from Plymouth and Brighton respectively.

"Don is coming on our tour to Sweden and will stay for the whole of our pre-season build-up. After that it's a case of whether he wants to stay on."

The Welsh international midfield player, Alan Davies, is joining Swansea City, of the fourth division, on a two-year contract.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Wells fury at SAAA

Allan Wells, the former Olympic 100m champion, was angered by the failure of the Scottish Amateur Athletics Association to tell him of the international between Scotland, Wales and Ireland at Meadowbank on Sunday.

Wells, who hopes be selected for the world championships, learned of the international – and his omission from the Scottish team – from a reporter on Thursday.

Gridiron base

The first specially commissioned American football pitch in Britain has been opened at Leicester's Saffron Lane Sports Centre.

Edwards's post

Ian Edwards, Derbyshire County Cricket Club's accountant for the past two and a half years, was appointed their new secretary yesterday.


Seething: Wells, the sprinter

Dibble blow

Nick Dibble, a British rider in the junior world road-race cycling championships, spent last night in hospital in Bergamo, Italy, after breaking both wrists and losing two teeth in a crash on Sunday. Simeon Hempsall, in tenth place, was the leading Briton.

Knox record

Kenny Knox, of the United States, won the Illinois Golf Classic with a tournament-record total of 265.

Cowdrey out

Graham Cowdrey, aged 23, the Kent cricketer whose jaw was broken by Michael Holding, the Derbyshire fast bowler, last week will go to hospital to have the jaw wired and two teeth removed. His father, Colin, also enters hospital shortly, for open-heart surgery. Graham Cowdrey will not play for the rest of the season.

Doyle on top

Tony Doyle, Britain's world pursuit cycling champion, heads the entry-list for the Saltburn Grand Prix in Cleveland this weekend.

British debuts

Louise Ball, aged 20, of Sparkford, and Sarah-Jane Cox, 23, of Burnham-on-Sea, are named for the first time in the British team taking part in the women's modern pentathlon world championships at Bensheim, The Netherlands, next month. Mandy Flaherty, of Yeovil, and Wendy Norman, of Guildford, complete the team.